



Trump escalates attacks on his attorney general

In this July 13, 2018 photo, Attorney General Jeff Sessions delivers remarks in Portland, Maine.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump escalated his attacks on Attorney General Jeff Sessions on Monday, suggesting the Department of Justice put Republicans in midterm jeopardy with recent in-

dictments of two GOP congressmen. In his latest broadside against the Justice Department's traditional independence, Trump tweeted that "Obama era investigations, of two very popular Republican Congress-

men were brought to a well publicized charge, just ahead of the Mid-Terms, by the Jeff Sessions Justice Department." He added: "Two easy wins now in doubt because there is not enough time. Good job Jeff....."

Another blow in Trump's long-running feud with Sessions, the president's complaint fits with his pattern of viewing the Department of Justice less as a law enforcement agency and more as one that should do his political bidding. Typi-

cally the agency prides itself on independence from political influence, and investigators are never supposed to take into account the political affiliations of the people they investigate.

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Stare decisis? Roe? A Supreme Court confirmation glossary

By MARK SHERMAN

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) —

America is about to get its first extended look at Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh in his confirmation hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Viewers just tuning into the battle over the 53-year-old appellate judge's nomination should expect to see Kavanaugh portrayed by fellow Republicans as a principled jurist who has no preconceived ideas about the law. Democrats will try to paint President Donald Trump's nominee as a results-oriented conservative who wants to undo abortion rights and generally push the Supreme Court to the right.

Lawmakers know the public is watching, but as the nomination hearing gets going and lawmakers seek to probe the nominee's views, they often slip into using legal jargon and refer to past Supreme Court cases in shorthand. It can sound as though they're talking in code. Expect senators to use these terms at



In this June 1, 2006 file photo, from left to right, President Bush, watches the swearing-in of Brett Kavanaugh as Judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia by U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, far right, during a ceremony in the Rose Garden of the White House, in Washington.

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Kavanaugh's hearing, starting Tuesday:

Roe v. Wade, Planned Parenthood v. Casey — These cases from 1973 and 1992, respectively, are the two main decisions on abortion rights. Kavanaugh has not said whether he believes they were decided cor-

rectly, and he's not likely to do so during the hearings. But he is certain to be asked repeatedly about abortion, Roe and Casey. He has provided two recent clues to his views, in the form of a speech that praised the late Chief Justice William Rehnquist's dissent in Roe and Kavanaugh's own dissenting opinion that would have denied immediate access to an abortion for an immigrant teen in federal custody.

Stare decisis — Latin for to stand by things decided. It's the legal principle that judges use to base decisions on earlier ones. When it comes up at confirmation hearings, it's often in reference to abortion rights and it's usually a way of asking if a nominee will overturn certain decisions — like Roe v. Wade. Nominees invariably invoke stare decisis, or refer to something as settled law, to try to reassure senators that they have great respect for Supreme Court precedents, without committing to preserve any specific one. Respect for precedent, however, has its limits. Last term, the court squarely overturned three precedents.

Chevron deference — A 1984 Supreme Court ruling, in a case involving the Chevron oil company, says that when laws aren't crys-

tal clear, federal agencies should be allowed to fill in the details. That's what agencies do — on environmental regulations, workplace standards, consumer protections and even immigration law. But a growing conservative legal movement has questioned the Chevron decision. Kavanaugh has expressed some support for limiting agencies' discretion, as have several conservative justices. If a future Supreme Court were to limit the Chevron ruling, it would mark a big change in the law that would potentially make it harder to sustain governmental regulations. Recusal — A judge's decision to not take part in a case, usually because he participated in it at an earlier stage, or has a financial or personal conflict. Democrats are going to press Kavanaugh to pledge to recuse himself if a case comes to the court involving Trump and special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation. He is not likely to commit to do so.

Unitary executive — Kavanaugh will be asked to explain his view of just how much power a president has under the unitary executive theory of constitutional law. Kavanaugh has written judicial opinions

and law review articles that suggest he supports the idea that a president may decline to enforce a law he believes is unconstitutional. Questioners also may focus on Kavanaugh's service in the White House under George W. Bush, who used signing statements to legislation that his administration saw as unreasonable or unconstitutional limits on executive power.

Subpoena — a legal order requiring a person to testify as a witness, it sometime also requires a person to turn over documents or other records under their control. Kavanaugh should expect to be asked whether the president can be subpoenaed, an open legal question that could reach the Supreme Court if Mueller tries to force the president to testify as part of the Russia investigation. Also an open question: Whether the president can be indicted, meaning charged with a crime.

Affirmative action — The term for efforts to improve opportunities for minorities, generally in employment and college admissions. It's a standard topic for Supreme Court confirmation hearings, particularly after a 2003 Supreme Court decision that predicted affirmative action wouldn't be necessary in 25 years. Senators may bring up a comment Kavanaugh made in 1999 about a different Supreme Court case, saying he believed it was "one more step along the way in what I see as an inevitable conclusion within the next 10 to 20 years when the court says we are all one race in the eyes of government."

Balls and strikes — OK, that's not a legal term, but it will come up anyway. Chief Justice John Roberts famously compared judges to umpires during his 2005 confirmation hearing, saying neither makes the rules, but rather both just apply them. He said he'd remember if confirmed that his job is "to call balls and strikes." Lawmakers love to ask nominees about this analogy. □

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Trump, who did not address the specifics of the charges, did not name the Republicans. But he was apparently referring to the first two Republicans to endorse him in the GOP presidential primaries. Both were indicted on separate charges last month: Rep. Duncan Hunter of California on charges that included spending campaign funds for personal expenses and Rep. Chris Collins of New York on insider trading. Both have proclaimed their innocence.

The Hunter investigation began in June 2016, according to the indictment. It was not clear when the investigation into Collins began. The conspiracy alleged in his indictment supposedly began in 2017, though he was also under investigation by congressional ethics officials.

Hunter has not exited his race, while Collins ended his re-election bid days after his indictment. Both seats appear likely to remain in GOP hands, but the charges have raised

Democratic hopes.

A spokeswoman for Sessions declined comment, and the White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Trump did not have any public events Monday. He briefly exited the White House to a waiting motorcade, but then went back inside without going anywhere.

He has previously pressed Sessions to investigate his perceived enemies and has accused Sessions of failing to take control of the Justice Department. Trump has also repeatedly complained publicly and privately over Sessions' decision to recuse himself from the federal investigation into possible collusion between the Trump campaign and Russia because he'd worked on Trump's campaign.

Some of the issues Trump has raised have either already been examined or are being investigated.

The tension between Trump and Sessions boiled over recently with Sessions punching back, saying that he and his department "will not



In this Aug. 31, 2018 photo, President Donald Trump gestures while speaking at the Harris Conference Center in Charlotte, N.C.

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be improperly influenced by political considerations." Still, Sessions has made clear to associates that he has no intention of leaving his job voluntarily despite Trump's constant criticism. Allies, including Republican members of Congress,

have long advised Trump that firing Sessions — especially before the November midterm elections — would be deeply damaging to the party. But some have indicated that Trump may make a change after the elections.

"I think there will come a time, sooner rather than later, where it will be time to have a new face and a fresh voice at the Department of Justice," Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina told reporters recently. □

On Labor Day, Trump slams union leader who criticized him

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump started his Labor Day with an attack on a top union leader, lashing out after criticism from AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka. Trump tweeted Monday that Trumka "represented his union poorly on television this weekend." He added: "It is easy to see why unions are doing so poorly. A Dem!"

The president's attack came after Trumka appeared on "Fox News Sunday" over the weekend where he said efforts to overhaul the North American Free Trade Agreement should include Canada. Trumka, whose

organization is an umbrella group for most unions, said the economies of the United States, Canada and Mexico are "integrated" and "it's pretty hard to see how that would work without having Canada in the deal." Trump said Saturday on Twitter that there was "no political necessity" to keep Canada in NAFTA. But it's questionable whether Trump can unilaterally exclude Canada from a deal to replace the three-nation NAFTA agreement, without the approval of Congress. Any such move would likely face lengthy legal and congressional challenges.



In this April 4, 2017 file photo, AFL-CIO president Richard Trumka listens at the National Press Club in Washington.

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Trump administration negotiations to keep Canada in the reimagined trade bloc are to resume this week as Washington

and Ottawa try to break a deadlock over issues such as Canada's dairy market and U.S. efforts to shield drug companies from

generic competition. Trump wants to get a trade deal finalized by Dec. 1. Trumka also said of Trump: "The things that he's done to hurt workers outpace what he's done to help workers," arguing that Trump has not come through with an infrastructure program and has overturned regulations that "will hurt us on the job." Asked about the low unemployment rate and economic growth, Trumka said "those are good, but wages have been down since the first of the year. Gas prices have been up since the first of the year. So, overall, workers aren't doing as well." □

\$30 million poured into effort to energize young voters

By SCOTT BAUER
Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Democrats know who their voters are. They just have to figure out how to get them to the polls in November — and that's where the puppies come in.

Students returning to the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus this summer were greeted by therapy dogs for petting. Those lured by the chance to ruffle a dog's ears were then asked to register to vote — a "Pups to the Polls" gimmick that was just one of several similar events being staged in 11 battleground states by the liberal group NextGen America.

Young people tend to vote for Democrats, but they also tend stay away during midterm elections. It's a perennial frustration for the party — one they are trying to overcome as they seek to take control of Congress. NextGen America, formed by billionaire activist Tom Steyer, hopes to be a game changer. Steyer is investing more than \$30 million in what's believed to be the largest voter engagement effort of its kind in U.S. history.

The push to register and get pledges from college students to vote is focusing on states such as Wisconsin, Virginia, California and North Carolina with competitive races for Congress, U.S. Senate and other offices.

NextGen sees young voters such as Kellen Sharp as key to flipping targeted seats from red to blue.

"The outcome of this election definitely affects us," said Sharp, an 18-year-old freshman from Milwaukee who stopped to register during the dog event the week before classes started. "I'm just excited to have a voice and say something."

A poll this summer by the Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and MTV found that most Americans ages 15 to 34 think voting in the midterm elections gives their generation some say about how the government is run.



In this Thursday, Aug. 30, 2018 photo, NextGen America campus organizer Simone Williams, left, talks with Grace Austin, a junior at the University of Wisconsin, about how to register to vote in Madison, Wis. NextGen used therapy dogs to attract students and register them to vote.

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The poll found young people eager to vote for someone who shared their political views on issues such as health care and immigration policy. They expressed far less excitement about voting for a candidate described as a lifelong politician.

"If we all vote, we can make a change," said 20-year-old Grace Austin, who stopped to pet the dogs at the Wisconsin event and wound up registering to vote.

Austin and other college

students who registered said they feel like their friends are more interested in politics than ever before — boosting hopes of Democrats trying to reverse the trend of declining youth participation in midterm elections.

"We want them to know they need to show up and when they do, we will win," said NextGen's Wisconsin director George Olufosoye. "We want them to know they have power."

They certainly have the

numbers.

Since the last midterm election in 2014, 15 million post-millennials — those between the ages of 18 and 21 — have become eligible to vote. But while Generation X, millennials and post-millennials make up the majority of voting-eligible adults nationwide, they are not expected to cast the most votes in November.

In the 2014 midterm, they cast 21 million fewer votes than voters over age 54, according to an analysis by the Pew Research Center. Turnout among 18- to 24-year-olds hit a 40-year low in 2014, bottoming out at 17.1 percent, according to an analysis by the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement, or CIRCLE, at Tufts University.

NextGen points to higher voter turnout on the University of Wisconsin campus for a spring state Supreme Court election won by a liberal, and spikes in turnout in other targeted races, to argue that their push to register 122,000 young people to vote is bearing fruit.

"We're trying really hard to have this be much more of an infrastructure, organi-

zational thing than a two-month campaign," NextGen founder Tom Steyer said in an interview. "We're trying to get the broadest possible democracy, the biggest representation."

More media coverage of competitive races, combined with energy from the March for Our Lives movement that seeks stricter gun laws, has empowered young voters and made them "feel like it's time to have their voice heard about what happens to their generation," said Kei Kawashima-Ginsberg, director of CIRCLE.

That's what NextGen hopes. It has nearly 800 organizers on 421 college campuses in Wisconsin, Arizona, California, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia. In Wisconsin alone, NextGen has 27 full-time workers and 40 student fellows registering voters on 26 campuses. Republicans recognize the power that motivating young voters could have for Democrats, but they're skeptical that participation will increase much. In Wisconsin, Republicans have been targeting college voters for years.

"Wisconsin Republicans win by connecting with voters directly where they are — and young voters are no different when it comes to that strategy," said Wisconsin Republican Party spokesman Alec Zimmerman.

Wisconsin has two of the nation's competitive and closely watched races. Democratic Sen. Tammy Baldwin is being challenged by GOP state Sen. Leah Vukmir, while Republican Gov. Scott Walker faces a challenge from Democratic state schools chief Tony Evers. Polls show the races to be a dead heat — just the kind of competitive elections research shows excite younger voters.

"I've never seen anything like this," said NextGen worker and 2016 University of Wisconsin graduate Joe Waldman. "I've never seen the energy, passion and activism there is now." □



In this Thursday, Aug. 30, 2018 photo, University of Wisconsin freshman Kellen Sharp, left, gets information about registering to vote from NextGen America worker Sean Manning, right, in Madison, Wis.

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Tropical Storm Gordon brings hurricane warning to Gulf Coast

By JENNIFER KAY

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)

— Tropical Storm Gordon lashed South Florida with heavy rains and high winds on Monday and is expected to strengthen into a hurricane when it hits the central U.S. Gulf Coast.

Gordon formed into a tropical storm near the Florida Keys early Monday as it moved west-northwest at 17 mph (28 kph). The storm is expected to reach hurricane strength when it hits the Gulf Coast, including coastal Mississippi, by late Tuesday. From there, it is forecast to move inland over the lower Mississippi Valley on Wednesday.

The National Hurricane Center said at 8 p.m. EDT that the storm was centered 95 miles (150 kilometers) west of Fort Myers, Florida. Maximum sustained winds were clocked at 60 mph (95 kph).

A hurricane warning was put into effect for the area stretching from the mouth of the Pearl River in Mississippi to the Alabama-Florida border. As much as 8 inches (20 centimeters) of rain could fall in some parts of the Gulf states through late Thursday. The Miami-based center said the storm is also expected to bring "life-threatening" storm surge to portions of the central Gulf Coast. A storm surge warning has been issued for the area stretching from Shell Beach, Louisiana, to Dauphin Island, Alabama.

The warning means there is danger of life-threatening inundation. The region could see rising waters of 3 to 5 feet (0.9 to 1.5 meters). "The deepest water will occur along the immediate coast near and to the east of the landfall location, where the surge will be accompanied by large waves," the center said.

Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards declared a state of emergency Monday and said 200 National Guard troops will be deployed to southeastern Louisiana.

The storm's predicted track had shifted slightly east as of Monday evening, meaning Louisiana is currently just outside the area under the hurricane warning. Still, the southeastern part of the state remains under a tropical storm warning and residents need to be prepared for the storm to shift west, Edwards said. "This storm has every possibility to track further in our direction," Edwards said during a news conference Monday evening. New Orleans Mayor LaToya Cantrell held an afternoon news conference and said the city has "the pumps and the power" needed to protect residents. But authorities issued a voluntary evacuation order for areas outside the city's levee protection system, including the Venetian Isles, Lake Saint Catherine and Irish Bayou areas. Cantrell urged residents within the levee protection



Dania Beach, Fla., Ocean Rescue Alice Henley and Dillon Wise secure their surfboard as Tropical Storm Gordon pass by South Florida with wind gust and heavy rainfall for the Labor Day holiday on Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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area to stock up on supplies and shelter in place. Miami Beach Police said via Twitter that the Labor Day holiday was "NOT a beach day," with rough surf and potential rip currents. Red flags flew over Pensacola-area beaches in Florida's Panhandle, where swimming and wading in the Gulf of Mexico was prohibited. More than 4,000 Florida Power & Light customers lost power Monday due to weather conditions. The National Weather Service said conditions were

"possible" for tornadoes in the affected parts of South Florida on Monday night. The storm left many businesses on Florida's Gulf Coast feeling short-changed by the holiday weekend. The area has already been heavily impacted by this summer's so-called "red tide"—massive algae blooms that have caused waves of dead marine life to wash up along the coast. Jenna Wright, owner of a coffee shop in Naples, Florida, told the Naples Daily News that

she had expected higher numbers for the Labor Day weekend. "This is normally a decent weekend, but the storm and red tide aren't helping," Wright said. "We're a beach coffee shop, and if people can't go to the beach, then we won't get any customers." Separately, Tropical Storm Florence continues to hold steady over the eastern Atlantic. Forecasters say little change in strength is expected in coming days and no coastal watches or warnings are in effect. □

Trump's pollution rules rollback to hit coal country hard

By ELLEN KNICKMEYER and JOHN RABY

GRANT TOWN, W.Va. (AP)

— It's coal people like miner Steve Knotts, 62, who make West Virginia Trump Country.

So it was no surprise that President Donald Trump picked the state to announce his plan rolling back Obama-era pollution controls on coal-fired power plants.

Trump left one thing out of his remarks, though: northern West Virginia coal country will be ground zero for increased deaths and illnesses from the rollback on regulation of harmful emission from the nation's coal power plants.

An analysis done by his own Environmental Protection Agency concludes that the plan would lead to a greater number of people here dying prematurely, and suffering health problems that they otherwise would not have, than elsewhere in the country, when compared to health impacts of the Obama plan.

Knotts, a coal miner for 35 years, isn't fazed when he hears that warning, a couple of days after Trump's West Virginia rally. He says the last thing people in coal country want is the government slapping down more controls on coal — and the air here in the remote West Virginia mountains seems fine to him.

"People here have had it with other people telling us what we need. We know what we need. We need a job," Knotts said at lunch hour at a Circle K in a tiny town between two coal mines, and 9 miles down the road from a coal power plant, the Grant Town plant.

The sky around Grant Town is bright blue. The mountains are a dazzling green. Paw Paw Creek gurgles past the town.

Clean-air controls since the 1980s largely turned off the columns of black soot that used to rise from coal smokestacks. The regulations slashed the national death rates from coal-fired power plants substantially. These days pollutants rise



In this Aug. 23, 2018 photo, American Electric Power's John Amos coal-fired plant in Winfield, W.Va., is seen from the town of Pocahontas across the Kanawha River.

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from smoke stacks as gases, before solidifying into fine particles — still invisible — small enough to pass through lungs and into bloodstreams.

An EPA analysis says those pollutants would increase under Trump's plan, when compared to what would happen under the Obama plan. And that, it says, would lead to thousands more heart attacks, asthma problems and other illnesses that would not have occurred.

Nationally, the EPA says, 350 to 1,500 more people would die each year under Trump's plan. But it's northern two-thirds of West Virginia and the neighboring part of Pennsylvania that would be hit hardest, by far, according to Trump's EPA.

Trump's rollback would kill an extra 1.4 to 2.4 people a year for every 100,000 people in those hardest-hit areas, compared to under the Obama plan, according to the EPA analysis. For West Virginia's 1.8 million people, that would be equal to at least a couple dozen additional deaths a year.

Trump's acting EPA administrator, Andrew Wheeler, a former coal lobbyist whose grandfather worked in

the coal camps of West Virginia, headed to coal states this week and last to promote Trump's rollback. The federal government's retreat on regulating pollution from coal power plants was "good news," Wheeler told crowds there.

In Washington, EPA spokesman Michael Abboud said Trump's plan still would result in "dramatic reductions" in emissions, deaths and illness compared to the status quo, instead of to the Obama plan. Obama's Clean Power Plan targeted climate-changing carbon dioxide, but since coal is the largest source of carbon dioxide from fossil fuels, the Obama plan would have curbed other harmful emissions from the coal-fired power plants as well. About 160 miles to the south of Grant Town, near the state capital of Charleston, shop owner Doris Keller figures that if Trump thinks something's for the best, that's good enough for her. "I just know this. I like Donald Trump and I think that he's doing the right thing," said Keller, who turned out to support Trump Aug. 21 when he promoted his rollback proposal. She lives five miles from the 2,900-megawatt John Amos coal-fired power plant.

"I think he has the best interests of the regular common people at the forefront," Keller says.

Trump's Affordable Clean Energy program would dismantle President Barack Obama's 2015 Clean Power Plan, which has been caught up in court battles without yet being implemented.

The Obama plan targeted climate-changing emissions from power plants, especially coal. It would have increased federal regulation of emissions from the nation's electrical grid and broadly promoted natural gas, solar power and other cleaner energy.

Trump's plan would cede much of the federal oversight of existing coal-fired power plants and drop official promotion of cleaner energy. Individual states largely would decide how much to regulate coal power plants in their borders. The plan is open for public review, ahead of any final White House decision.

"I'm getting rid of some of these ridiculous rules and regulations, which are killing our companies ... and our jobs," Trump said at the rally.

There was no mention of the "small increases" in harmful

emissions that would result, compared to the Obama plan, or the health risks.

EPA charts put numbers on just how many more people would die each year because of those increased coal emissions.

Abboud and spokeswoman Ashley Bourke of the National Mining Association, which supports Trump's proposed regulatory rollback on coal emissions, said other federal programs already regulate harmful emissions from coal power plants. Bourke also argued that the health studies the EPA used in its death projections date as far back as the 1970s, when coal plants burned dirtier.

In response, Conrad Schneider of the environmental nonprofit Clean Air Task Force said the EPA's mortality estimates had taken into account existing regulation of plant emissions.

Additionally, health studies used by the EPA looked at specific levels of exposure to pollutants and their impact on human health, so remain constant over time, said Schneider, whose group analyzes the EPA projections.

With competition from natural gas and other cleaner energy helping to kill off more than a third of coal jobs over the last decade, political leaders in coal states are in no position to be the ones charged with enforcing public-health protections on surviving coal-fired power plants, said Vivian Stockman of the Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition.

"Our state is beholden to coal. Our politicians are beholden to coal," Stockman said outside Trump's West Virginia rally, where she was protesting. "Meanwhile, our people are being poisoned." And when it comes to coal power plants and harm, Schneider said, "when you're at Grant Town, you're at Ground Zero." Retired coal miner Jim Haley, living 4 miles from the town's coal-fired power plant, has trouble telling from the smokestack when the plant is even operating. □



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Protest brings arrests, doesn't shut down Chicago expressway

CHICAGO (AP) — Police arrested a dozen participants of an anti-violence protest on Labor Day that tried and ultimately failed to shut down an expressway that leads to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

Live TV reports Monday showed Illinois State Police troopers also arresting the main organizer of the protest, the Rev. Gregory Livingston, who had vowed days earlier to temporarily stop the traffic flow on Interstate 90, also known as the Kennedy Expressway. Dozens of troopers blocked a ramp onto the busy expressway while a trooper with a megaphone warned

those attempting to march down that they would be arrested if they didn't turn around. Some chanted in response, "Ain't nobody going to turn us around." When a trooper asked Livingston if he would go back, Livingston responded politely that he would not and said: "Arrest me." The trooper tapped him on the shoulder before leading him away.

In all, a dozen people were arrested, handed \$120 citations for being a pedestrian on a highway and soon released, an Illinois State Police spokesman, David Byrd, told the Chicago Tribune.

As several dozen protesters gathered earlier, Livingston told reporters that poverty and a lack of investment in minority neighborhoods underpinned much of the deadly violence in the nation's third-largest city.

"What we're trying to do is end the tale of two cities in Chicago," he said. "We think that so much of this violence is generated by Chicago's legacy of segregation."

Some protesters carried signs that read, "End State-Sanctioned Violence." Others called on Chicago's mayor to resign, chanting, "Hey, hey. Ho, ho. Rahm Emanuel has got to go!"



Organizer of an anti-violence protest the Rev. Gregory Livingston, center, is arrested while protesting along a ramp leading on to Interstate 90, known as the Kennedy Expressway, in Chicago, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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Livingston also organized a protest last month that briefly shut down Lake Shore Drive on Chicago's North Side. In July, the Rev. Michael Pfleger led protesters in a march in the traffic lanes of the Dan Ryan Expressway. One Chicago al-

derman, Nicholas Spasato, criticized the protests, telling the Tribune on Monday that they wasted police resources. "Try to shut down a highway a third time?" he said. "Is this going to be a monthly thing now? When does it end?" □

Body of 1 person found after boats crash on Colorado River

MOABI REGIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — The body of a California woman who was among four people missing after two boats collided on the Colorado River was found Monday, authorities said.

Christine Lewis, 51, of Visalia was discovered in a section of the river along the California-Arizona border, Mohave County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Anita Mortensen said.

Lewis was among more than a dozen people ejected from the boats in the crash Saturday night.

A search continued for two other women and one man.

A recreational boat carrying 10 people and another vessel with six people on

board collided head-on Saturday night along the well-traveled stretch of the river, the office said.

Both boats sank, and passing boaters pulled crash victims from the water. Nine people were injured, with two in critical condition, authorities said.

The cause of the crash is being investigated.

None of the boaters were wearing life jackets, which aren't required but are recommended by authorities, Mohave County Sheriff Doug Shuster said.

The crash occurred between two popular marinas and near Moabi Regional Park, as people enjoyed the Labor Day weekend. Helicopters have been deployed as part of the



In this photo released by the San Bernardino County, Calif., Sheriff's Office, shows search and recovery operations Monday, Sept. 3, 2018, for three people missing after two boats collided Saturday evening on the Colorado River along the California-Arizona border near Topock, Ariz.

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search, and authorities have scoured the shoreline. Divers have been sent into the river, which can run

as deep as 30 feet (9 meters).

"These efforts will continue until all of those who are

missing and unaccounted for have been located," Shuster told reporters.

Authorities closed off a stretch of the river where the search was taking place. □



UN court hears case over strategic Indian Ocean islands

By MIKE CORDER

Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Officials from the Indian Ocean island nation of Mauritius told United Nations judges Monday that former colonial power Britain strong-armed its leaders half a century ago into giving up territory as a condition of independence, a claim that could have an impact on a strategically important U.S. military base.

Judges at the International Court of Justice began hearing arguments for an advisory opinion the U.N. General Assembly requested on the legality of British sovereignty over the Chagos Islands. The largest island, Diego Garcia, has housed the U.S. base since the 1970s.

"The process of decolonization of Mauritius remains incomplete as a result of the unlawful detachment of an integral part of our territory on the eve of our independence," Mauritius Defense Minister Anerood Jugnauth



Protesters hold placard and banners outside the World Court in The Hague, Netherlands, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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told judges.

Mauritius argues that the Chagos archipelago was part of its territory since at least the 18th century and

taken unlawfully by the U.K. in 1965, three years before the island gained independence. Britain insists it has sovereignty over the archi-

pelago, which it calls the British Indian Ocean Territory.

Jugnauth testified that during independence nego-

tiations, then-British Prime Minister Harold Wilson told Mauritius' leader at the time, Seewoosagur Ramgoolam, that "he and his colleagues could return to Mauritius either with independence or without it and that the best solution for all might be independence and detachment (of the Chagos Islands) by agreement."

Ramgoolam understood Wilson's words "to be in the nature of a threat," Jugnauth said.

British Solicitor General Robert Buckland described the case as essentially a bilateral dispute about sovereignty and urged the court not to issue an advisory opinion. Buckland also disputed Mauritius' claim about coercion, citing Ramgoolam as saying after the deal that the detachment of the Chagos islands was a "matter that was negotiated." The U.K. sealed a deal with the U.S. in 1966 to use the territory for defense purposes. □

Iraq's new parliament meets as rival blocs vie for majority

By QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA

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BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's newly-elected parliament held its first session on Monday as two blocs, both claiming to hold the most seats, vied for the right to form a new government.

The session opened with a prayer and an orchestral performance of the national anthem, as lawmakers convened for the first time since national elections were held in May.

The new parliament faces the twin tasks of rebuilding the north of the country following the war against the Islamic State group and rehabilitating services in the south, where severe water and electricity shortages have fueled protests.

"We must focus in the next stage on reconstruction, services, and providing jobs. It is the time for economic reforms and expanding our security achievements," said caretaker Prime Minister Haider



Iraq Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi, center, arrives at the parliament building to attend the first session in Baghdad, Iraq, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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al-Abadi in an address to parliament.

Al-Abadi, who came to power in 2014, oversaw the war on IS after the extremists seized Mosul, Iraq's second largest city, and close to one-third of Iraqi territory. Al-Abadi declared victory last year, but the militants continue to raid, kidnap, and murder Iraqis in lawless

and underserved regions in the west and center of the country.

Lawmakers must now select a parliament speaker before electing a president, a largely ceremonial post. The president then appoints a prime minister, nominated by the largest bloc in parliament, to form a government.

Two blocs are claiming the right to name the prime minister.

A coalition led by al-Abadi and populist cleric Moqtada al-Sadr has the support of the U.S. and Saudi Arabia, while an alliance between former Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and militia leader Hadi al-Amiri has the backing of Iran.

Both alliances are dominated by Shiites, who have held the preponderance of power in Iraq since Saddam Hussein's ouster in 2003. But the largest Sunni blocs are aligned with al-Abadi and al-Sadr. Iraq's two main Kurdish parties have not taken a side.

By custom, the prime minister's post is reserved for Shiites, the speaker's post for Sunnis, and the presidency for Kurds.

On Monday, the al-Maliki bloc presented a statement with 150 signatories from the 329-member Parliament saying they had formed the largest group-

ing in the legislative body.

The al-Abadi bloc attested in a document to the legislative body that it had more than 160 members in its caucus, though their statement contained only a handful of signatories.

Lawmaker Qateh al-Rukabi said the matter would likely be taken to Iraq's highest court for a ruling.

Al-Maliki is said to be trying to woo lawmakers from al-Abadi's bloc. Al-Maliki and al-Abadi are both leading members of the Islamic Dawa party, which remains divided over the longstanding rivalry between the two men.

Mohamad Ali Zeini, parliament's oldest lawmaker and its caretaker speaker, adjourned the session until Tuesday to allow members time to choose a speaker.

He told The Associated Press he was doubtful a quorum would be achieved Tuesday as Sunni lawmakers were divided between 6 nominees. □



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German authorities take aim at far-right party's youth wing

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CHEMNITZ, Germany (AP)

— German authorities plan to step up surveillance of the far-right Alternative for Germany amid growing concern the third-largest party in parliament is closing ranks with extremist groups.

Activists for AfD, the nationalist party's German acronym, marched in the eastern city of Chemnitz alongside leading figures in anti-migrant group PEGIDA and members of the area's militant neo-Nazi scene in the past week, after two refugees were arrested in a German citizen's fatal stabbing.

"Parts of AfD are openly acting against the Constitution," Justice Minister Katarina Barley told the RND media group Monday. "We need to treat them like other enemies of the Constitution and observe them accordingly."

Authorities in northern Germany's Bremen and Lower Saxony said they have begun monitoring the party's youth wings in the two states.

Boris Pistorius, Lower Saxony's interior minister, said the decision wasn't related to recent events in Chemnitz. It was based on the Young Alternative's anti-democratic goals and close links to the Identitarian Movement, a white nationalist group that's been under surveillance in the state for four years, Pistorius said.

His counterpart in Bremen, Ulrich Maeurer, described



A man holds a poster reading 'courage citizen' during a demonstration for democracy and against extremism in Chemnitz, eastern Germany, Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018.

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the views of AfD's youth wing in the city-state as "pure racism."

AfD immediately announced that it would dissolve the two youth sections in question to avert harm to the party and insisted its aims were democratic.

Andreas Kalbitz, a member of the party's national leadership, accused other political parties of panicking in the face of AfD's electoral success.

AfD's rise since its founding five years ago has shaken Germany's establishment and called into question the country's post-World War II consensus that far-right parties have no place in the mainstream.

The party, bolstered by widespread unease in Germany about the influx of more than 1 million refugees since 2015, placed

third in the 2017 national election.

Officials are particularly concerned about its strategy in eastern Germany, where AfD's Kalbitz said the party hopes to become the strongest force after state elections next year.

Saxony — where Chemnitz is located — has an entrenched neo-Nazi scene and AfD has done particularly well there.

The party encouraged last week's protests, which drew thousands following the Aug. 26 slaying of 35-year-old carpenter Daniel Hillig in Chemnitz. Some of the demonstrations erupted into violence between far-right marchers and counter-protesters.

A 22-year-old Iraqi citizen and a 23-year-old Syrian citizen were arrested on suspicion of manslaughter in Hillig's death, police said.

Government officials urged Germans who are upset over the killing to distance themselves from the neo-Nazis who performed the stiff-armed "Hitler salute," chanted "Foreigners out" and harassed journalists covering the demonstrations.

"If one doesn't think this way, it would be good to draw a clear line and distance oneself from those who are doing that," said Steffen Seibert, German Chancellor Angela Merkel's spokesman.

In an organized response to the far-right events, tens of thousands of people gathered Monday in Chemnitz for a free, open-air concert by some of Germany's best-known bands. The show was part of an effort to encourage young Germans to stand up against far-right extremism. It was

promoted with the hashtag #WeAreMore and broadcast live online.

"The concert is highly symbolic because it sends a signal that we'll mobilize people from across the whole country, if necessary, so Chemnitz isn't abandoned to the right," said Johannes Staemmler, a political scientist who grew up in Saxony and has focused his research on eastern Germany.

Former Foreign Minister Sigmar Gabriel tweeted on Monday that "the far-right terror in Chemnitz is not a Saxon problem, it's a German one."

Gabriel criticized Germany's political establishment for being too passive when it comes to combating far-right support and urged them to visit towns with simmering anti-migrant sentiment.

"I think it would be good if as many representatives as possible — not only in Chemnitz but everywhere — go to places where we think the citizens are not agreeing with our state," he said in an interview with Germany's daily Bild newspaper.

Speaking publicly for the first time, Hillig's widow told the newspaper that "Daniel would have never wanted" the protests triggered by his killing.

"Daniel was neither left nor right," his widow, identified only as Bianca T., told Bild. Expressing shock about the way the far right was exploiting his death, she said: "I looked at the events on Saturday night — this was not about Daniel at all." □

UK leader's holiday from Brexit battles comes to noisy end

By JILL LAWLESS

LONDON (AP) — British Prime Minister Theresa May's brief summer holiday from Brexit battles came to a noisy end Monday, as she faced attack from both sides of her divided Conservative Party.

Archrival Boris Johnson inflamed speculation that he aims to oust May by branding her plan for Brexit "a disaster."

Johnson fumed in a newspaper column that May's proposal to retain close economic ties with the European Union after Brexit would leave Britain locked in the trunk of a Brussels-driven car with "no say on the destination."

Meanwhile, a more pro-EU Conservative faction argued that the U.K. should keep even closer bonds with the bloc than May is proposing, at least temporarily.

Lawmaker Damian Green, an ally of May, conceded the prime minister was in a tight spot.

"The government is walking a narrow path with people chucking rocks from both sides," he told the BBC.

Johnson, who resigned as foreign secretary in July after feuding with May over Brexit, used his weekly column in the Daily Telegraph newspaper to accuse May of surrendering to the EU in divorce negotiations.

Johnson said that Britain



In this Thursday, May 25, 2017 file photo British Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson and Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May arrive for meeting during NATO summit of heads of state and government, at the NATO headquarters, in Brussels.

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has "gone into battle with the white flag fluttering over our leading tank" and had agreed to pay a 40-billion pound (\$51 billion) divorce bill in return "for two-thirds of diddly squat."

Britain is due to leave the EU in March, but negotiations have stalled amid divisions within May's Conservative government over how close an economic relationship to seek with EU. A proposal hammered out by May's Cabinet in July at the prime minister's Chequers country retreat

proposes keeping the U.K. aligned to EU regulations in return for free trade in goods. The plan infuriated Brexit-backers including Johnson, who quit the government in protest. Johnson claims the Chequers plan would prevent the U.K. from striking new trade deals around the world.

"We will remain in the EU taxi; but this time locked in the boot (trunk), with absolutely no say on the destination," Johnson wrote. "We won't have taken back control — we will have lost

control."

May's official spokesman, James Slack, dismissed Johnson's attack, saying there were "no new ideas in this article to respond to."

"What we need at this time is serious leadership with a serious plan and that's exactly what the country has with this prime minister and this Brexit plan," he said.

With Parliament due to return Tuesday from its summer break, Johnson and his fellow Brexit enthusiasts aren't the only obstacle May faces as she tries to

get her Brexit deal past her Conservative Party, Britain's Parliament and the EU.

On Monday, Conservative supporters of "soft Brexit" put forward a rival proposal, arguing that Britain should stay in the EU's single market for goods and services for three years after Brexit while it negotiates a future free trade deal with the bloc — a plan summed up as "Norway, then Canada," in reference to those countries' trade relations with the EU.

Conservative lawmaker Nick Boles said the idea was better than the Chequers proposal, which had "close to zero" chance of being approved by Parliament. "What I want is a plan that's workable," Boles told the BBC. "We can't get to Nirvana in one step."

Meanwhile, pro-EU campaigners are pushing for a new referendum on any deal agreed between Britain and the EU. May insists that won't happen, but the idea is gaining momentum. Britain and the EU had hoped to hammer out an agreement on divorce terms and the outlines of future trade by a European Council summit in October so that it can be approved by individual EU countries before the U.K. leaves the bloc on March 29. Both sides now say that deadline may slip to November or later. □

Top diplomat calls for greater EU role amid global chaos

Associated Press

BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Union's top diplomat said Monday that the world is going through a time of chaos and that the 28-nation bloc must work more closely with international partners as the multilateral system comes under threat. In a speech to EU ambassadors laying out her vision for the year to come, EU foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini said that "the whole world is going through a moment of chaos, and the question is: is it a moment or is it a long-term trend?"

"The very idea of multilateralism is being challenged," Mogherini said.

While she didn't mention the U.S. or President Donald Trump directly, Mogherini underlined the importance of the Iran nuclear agreement and the global climate change pact rejected by Trump. She also referred to the central role of the World Trade Organization, whose rules are being tested by Trump's policies.

"No great power is really great enough in the world of today," she said.

Mogherini urged the ambassadors to reassure part-



European Union Foreign Policy Chief Federica Mogherini speaks during EU ambassadors conference at EU Charlemagne building in Brussels, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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ners — ranging from Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea and all

of Africa — that "Europe is not withdrawing from the world stage. On the

contrary, we will be even more engaged in the year ahead." She said the European Commission has proposed increasing the budget of the bloc's External Action Service — essentially a foreign office with about 140 delegations worldwide — by around 30 percent to show that "we are ready to play a role in the world, with our principles, with our values, with our policies, but also with our resources." With a combined population of around 500 million people, the EU is the world's biggest trading bloc and a top aid donor. □

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Myanmar court sentences Reuters reporters to 7 years in jail

By VICTORIA MILKO
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YANGON, Myanmar (AP)

— A Myanmar court sentenced two Reuters journalists to seven years in prison Monday on charges of illegal possession of official documents, a ruling met with international condemnation that will add to outrage over the military's human rights abuses against Rohingya Muslims.

Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo had been reporting on the brutal crackdown on the Rohingya when they were arrested and charged with violating the colonial-era Official Secrets Act, punishable by up to 14 years in prison. They had pleaded not guilty, contending that they were framed by police. "Today is a sad day for Myanmar, Reuters journalists Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo, and the press everywhere," Stephen J. Adler, Reuters editor-in-chief, said in a statement. He said the charges were "designed to silence their reporting and intimidate the press."

The case has drawn worldwide attention as an example of how democratic reforms in long-isolated Myanmar have stalled under the civilian government of Nobel Peace Prize laureate Aung San Suu Kyi, which took power in 2016. Though the military, which ruled the country for a half-century, maintains control of several key ministries, Suu Kyi's rise to government had raised hopes for an accelerated transition to full democracy and her stance on the Rohingya crisis has disappointed many former admirers.



In this combination image made from two photos, Reuters journalists Kyaw Soe Oo and Wa Lone, are handcuffed as they are escorted by police out of the court Monday, Sept. 3, 2018, in Yangon, Myanmar.

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As the verdict was announced in the hot Yangon courtroom, Kyaw Soe Oo's wife started crying, leaning into the lap of the person next to her. Outside the court, police and journalists shouted as the two Reuters reporters were led to a truck to be taken away. "This is unfair," Wa Lone told the crowd. "I want to say they are obviously threatening our democracy and destroying freedom of the press in our country."

Kevin Krolicki, Reuters regional editor for Asia, said outside the court that it was "heartbreaking for friends and colleagues and family of Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo, who in addition to the outrage many will feel, are deprived of their friends and colleagues, husband and father."

Wa Lone, 32, and Kyaw Soe Oo, 28, both testified they suffered from harsh

treatment during their initial interrogations after their arrests last December. Their several appeals for release on bail were rejected. Wa Lone's wife, Pan Ei Mon, gave birth to the couple's first child in Yangon on Aug. 10, but Wa Lone has not yet seen his daughter.

The two journalists had been reporting last year on the brutal crackdown by security forces on the Rohingya in Myanmar's Rakhine state. Some 700,000 Rohingya fled to neighboring Bangladesh to escape the violence targeting them after attacks by Rohingya militants killed a dozen members of the security forces. Investigators working for the U.N.'s top human rights body said last week that genocide charges should be brought against senior Myanmar military officers over the crackdown.

The accusation of geno-

cide was rejected by Myanmar's government, but is the most serious official recommendation for prosecution so far. Also last week, Facebook banned Myanmar's powerful military chief and 19 other individuals and organizations from its site to prevent the spread of hate and misinformation in connection with the Rohingya crisis.

"Today's verdict cannot conceal the truth of what happened in Rakhine state," Tirana Hassan, Amnesty International's director of crisis response, said in a statement Monday. "It's thanks to the bravery of journalists like Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo, that the military's atrocities have been exposed. Instead of targeting these two journalists, the Myanmar authorities should have been going after those responsible for killings, rape, torture and

the torching of hundreds of Rohingya villages."

The new U.N. human rights chief, former Chilean President Michelle Bachelet, called the trial a "travesty of justice" and said she would urge the Myanmar government to release the journalists immediately.

Dozens of journalists and pro-democracy activists marched Saturday in Yangon, Myanmar's biggest city, in support of the reporters. But in the country at large, with an overwhelming Buddhist majority, there is widespread prejudice against the Rohingya, and in the government and military, there is near-xenophobic sensitivity to foreign criticism.

Myanmar's courts are one of the country's most conservative and nationalistic institutions, and the darkened political atmosphere had seemed unlikely to help the reporters' cause.

The court earlier this year declined to stop the trial after an initial phase of presentation of evidence, even though a policeman called as a prosecution witness testified that his commander had ordered that documents be planted on the journalists. After his testimony, the officer was jailed for a year for violating police regulations and his family was kicked out of police housing.

Other testimony by prosecution witnesses was contradictory, and the documents presented as evidence against the reporters appeared to be neither secret nor sensitive. The journalists testified they did not solicit or knowingly possess any secret documents. □

Recriminations fly after fire roars through Brazilian museum

By PETER PRENGAMAN
SARAH DiLORENZO

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Smoke rose Monday from the burned-out hulk of Brazil's National Museum, as recriminations flew over who was responsible for a huge fire that destroyed of at least part of Latin America's largest collection of historical artifacts and documents.

A few hundred protesters who gathered outside the museum gates tried several times to push into the site, demanding to see the damage and calling on the government to rebuild. Police held the crowd back with pepper spray, tear gas and batons.

The museum's director said a portion of the collection was destroyed and that it was impossible to say yet how much. But the deputy director suggested that the damage could be catastrophic, with most objects in the main building probably lost, except for some meteorites.

The main building, which was once the home of the Brazilian royal family, housed a collection of 20 million items that included Egyptian and Greco-Roman relics and the oldest human skull found in the Western hemisphere, known as Luzia.

On Monday, the building was still standing, but much of it appeared to have been gutted. Civil defense authorities warned that the structure was not safe to enter because the roof and internal walls had been compromised and could collapse further.

It was not clear how the fire began Sunday evening, when the museum was closed. But the flames quickly fueled criticism of Brazil's dilapidated infrastructure and budget deficits as the nation prepares for national elections in October.

Several officials have said the building was known to be in serious disrepair and at significant risk of catching fire.

"Just crying doesn't solve anything," Alexander Kellner, the museum's director,



A National Museum worker organizes pieces rescued from the museum after an overnight fire in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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told reporters at the scene. He became emotional as he described plans to salvage what was left of the collection and rebuild. "We have to act."

The museum has suffered underfunding for years that prevented renovations and forced it to close exhibits. The Folha de S. Paulo newspaper reported in May, as the museum was preparing to celebrate its bicentennial, that its annual budget had fallen from around \$130,000 in 2013 to around \$84,000 last year.

In a sign of how strapped the museum was, when a termite infestation last year forced the closure of a room containing a 39-foot (12-meter) dinosaur skeleton, officials turned to crowdfunding to raise the money to reopen the room. The institution had recently secured approval for a planned renovation, including an upgrade of the fire-prevention system, Kellner said.

"Look at the irony. The money is now there, but we ran out of time," he said. Luiz Fernando Dias Duarte, the deputy director, noted another irony: He said museum officials were seeking renovation funds in 2013, at the same time that Brazil was spending millions to build stadiums for the World Cup, which it hosted the following year.

"The money spent on each one of those stadiums — a quarter of that would have been enough to make this museum safe and resplendent," he told Brazilian TV. He said the responsibility for the museum's destruction lay squarely with federal authorities.

On Monday, President Michel Temer announced that private and public banks, as well as mining giant Vale and state-run oil company Petrobras, have agreed to help rebuild the museum and reconstitute its collections. French President Emmanuel Macron offered in a tweet to send experts to help.

Fire department spokesman Roberto Robadey said firefighters got off to a

slow start because the two fire hydrants closest to the museum did not work. Instead, trucks had to gather water from a nearby lake. Kellner said there were fire extinguishers on the site, but it was not clear if there were sprinklers, which are problematic for museums because water can damage objects.

Employees had recently received training from firefighters in how to prevent and respond to a blaze in the building, Duarte said. He lamented that no one was on hand Sunday night to put that training into practice.

"It was a constant worry," he said, adding that he would unplug everything in his office before leaving

because of the fire risk.

On the massive site where the museum sits, signs of disrepair were evident: The fencing was dilapidated. Stonework was cracked, and lawns appeared untended.

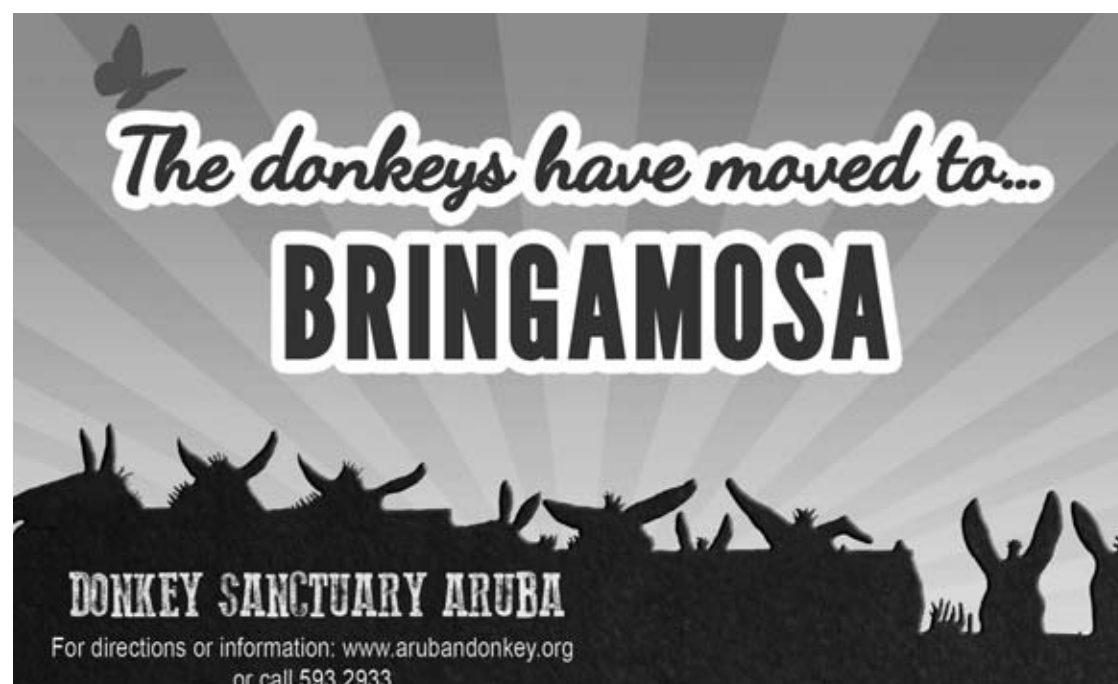
"This fire is what Brazilian politicians are doing to the people," said Rosana Hollanda, a 35-year-old high school teacher, who was crying Monday at the gates. "They're burning our history, and they're burning our dreams."

Roberto Leher, the rector of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, of which the museum is a part, told reporters that the building needed an upgrade to its electrical and water systems and a new fire-prevention plan.

"We all knew the building was in a vulnerable state," he told reporters. Officials had been working with firefighters to reduce those risks, he added.

Asked by a reporter why such disasters don't happen at cultural institutions in other countries, Kellner, the museum director, replied: "Ask yourself that. That's a good question."

Latin America's largest nation has struggled to emerge from its worst recession in decades. The state of Rio de Janeiro has been particularly hard hit in recent years thanks to a combination of falling prices for oil, one of its major revenue sources, mismanagement and massive corruption. □



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I can be creative, make up my own menu not only with ingredients but also by using local products and combine the local taste with international flavors", Croes says to Aruba Today. The focus of the restaurant is on the Caribbean touch, therefore they prefer buying from local farmers and suppliers. "This gives an extra dimension to our guests as they really get to taste a part of Aruba." The best compliment the team received from an Aruban guest, living for more than 20 years outside of Aruba, saying with tears in his eyes: "This takes me back to my

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Turtugaruba Foundation marks their first 15 years



ORANJESTAD — Turtugaruba was founded on September 3rd, 2003 by a group of enthusiastic volunteers. Ten years earlier, in 1993, a Sea Turtle Recovery Action Plan (STRAP) was introduced in Aruba and the rest of the Caribbean as an initiative of the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP). Tom Barmes, who was working at DLVV (Department of Agriculture, Husbandry and Fishery) was one of the writers of the STRAP for Aruba, together with Karen Eckert, director of WIDECAST (Wider Caribbean Sea Turtle Conservation Network). This is how sea turtle conservation started on the island following a plan that is still complied with today.

Tom formed a group of volunteers around him, because nature does not know office hours, like an organization such as DLVV. This group of volunteers used the name WIDECAST Aruba and today there are still a few of them active. They first started protecting the Leatherback Sea Turtle nests on Palm Beach and Eagle Beach. This group also investigated which other species of sea turtles use Aruba as their nesting habitat and which beaches are used by them. For a period of 25 years a study has been conducted in

which every early morning the beach was being monitored in which now there is a good overview of sea turtle nesting activities.

There are 4 different sea turtle species that visit Aruba to lay their eggs, each with their own specific season:

- Leatherback Sea Turtle - Lederschildpad - Driekiël (March – September)
- Loggerhead Sea Turtle - Dikkopschildpad - Cawama (May – September)
- Hawksbill Sea Turtle - Karetschildpad - Caret (June – December)
- Green Turtle - Soepschildpad - Turtuga Blanco (July-November)

There also came a better understanding and overview of the biggest threats to the sea turtles existence in Aruba and how these problems should be tackled. Despite hard work, all those years, most problems have not really gone away, but luckily and thanks to the enormous efforts from the volunteers, the sea turtles are still here. On Aruba the sea turtles are threatened with extinction by pollution, driving on dunes and beaches with quads and 4x4's and the loss of nesting beaches due to coastal development on behalf of tourism. Because coastal development comes with

artificial light and artificial light is a mayor issue for sea turtles, mother turtle usually comes on shore at night looking for a dark beach to make her nest. However... a dark beach is hard to find here nowadays. Light causes stress and can result in her returning to the sea without laying her eggs. Artificial light causes disorientation for the baby sea turtles (hatchlings).

They crawl towards artificial light sources (like street-lights, hotel lights, etc.) and then they don't find

the sea. In the 90's it was still a common occurrence to find a complete nest of about 70 hatchlings on the streets, dead, as cars drove over them. Thanks to their protection methods and a lot of time and effort, the volunteers of Turtugaruba have managed to get this under control. But for a sustainable solution there must be less light visible on the beaches and a strict regulation of it. Sea turtles simply need dark nesting beaches for their survival. It is clear that even more coastal development would not make

the situation better for the sea turtles. Again, more hotel rooms? And even busier beaches? These are choices Aruba has to make. Do we want to leave a place for the sea turtles? Not only Aruba, but the entire world needs sea turtles! Sea turtles play a vital role in keeping our oceans healthy. The Green Turtle, for example, keeps the sea grasses on the bottom of the sea short and therefore a healthy place for many fish to deposit their eggs. The Leatherback, the largest turtle of the world, eats mainly jellyfish and helps maintain the balance between jellyfish and plankton. Despite the threats that exist on Aruba, the turtles still keep coming. That's why today Turtugaruba is especially proud of the volunteers and the many people and organizations of our community that carry a warm place in their hearts for the sea turtles. We want to celebrate this later in the year, but at this moment the sea turtles need us more. All four species are active now, which means all hands on deck in the field for us, the volunteers. We strive to keep the sea turtles, our oldest 'repeat guests', always coming back to Aruba and get the chance to reproduce here. □



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PALM BEACH — Recently, Emely Ridderstaat of Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure to honor Loyal and Friendly visitors of Aruba as "Distinguished Visitors" at the Divi Phoenix. The symbolic honorary title is presented on behalf of the Minister of Tourism, Transportation, as a token of appreciation to the guests who visit Aruba between 10-20 and more consecutive years.

The Honorees are Mr. Pellegrino & Mrs. Amelia Moschella, who have been honored as "Distinguished visitors". They have been coming to Aruba for 10 consecutive years. The Moschella's love to relax on the beach and enjoy the lovely weather.

Emely Ridderstaat together with representatives of Divi Phoenix presented the certificate to the honorees and handed over some presents to them and thanked them for choosing Aruba as their vacation destination and as their home away from home for so many years. □



Today Is Going To Be A Good Day



Here's why: Aruba Today collected some things to do BEYOND the beach. Yes, we know. Aruba, located 15 miles north of Venezuela in the warm waters of the southern Caribbean, is home to beautiful white-sand beaches, 82-degree days, and thus ideal for the perfect beach day. But we are also blessed with some of the warmest people in the world and our island is 19.6 miles long and 6 miles across, with a total area of 70 square miles. Bit more to discover than the white stretch on the coastline we say. Let's mention some of these hidden gems.

Nature Calls

The Arikok National park is worth the ride. We love the

hikes that are guided by the park's rangers whose job is to maintain trails and protect natural resources. The flora and fauna are beautiful and the historical sites tell you about the island's indigenous roots. The guided tours are even free of charge. If you are not up to walking, you can drive through the park, one way or another this park is a great place to spend an entire day. Cruising through the landscape you end up at some of the most stunning beaches like Dos Playa or Daimara Beach. In Total the park consists of 7907 acres protected nature with a richness of animals living in it. The Aruban whip-tail lizard (cododo), Aruban cat eye snake (santanero)



and endangered rattle snake (cascabel) are just some of them, you can also admire these close in the park's Visitors' Center. For more information, visit the website www.arubanationalpark.org

Philip's Animal Garden

To stay with the animals, let's hop to an amazing place. Something different to do, an experience that is to be enjoyed by people of all ages. Welcome to Philip's Animal Garden. We are not talking about a zoo here, this is actually a sanctuary for all types of creatures, from horses to peacocks, kangaroos to turtles, monkeys, goats, and many, many more different species. The place was founded in 2009 and it is the only organization rescuing and rehabilitating exotic animals in Aruba, which has resulted in an amazing collection of these animals. They provide a suitable living environment for all the rescued animals. Up until now the owner, Philip, has built this shelter with his own efforts; building all the cages from

scratch, designing all structures and welding them with his own bare hands. His goal is to upgrade the facilities to a world-class animal shelter with veterinary care and round-the-clock staffs. With the input from the Aruban community and visitors they provide the best care for these animals. Please check out their website for more information: www.philipsanimalgarden.com.

The Lighthouse

No, you would not think of this as a hidden gem. The California Lighthouse is actually one of the most known highlights in Aruba and many repeated guests most probably took the ride uphill already. But, there is a significant change to this tower. Since September 2016 you can climb the top. In 2015 Stichting Monumentenfonds started the restoration of the California Lighthouse. The project finished in September 2016 and the Lighthouse is now open for visitors to enjoy the beautiful view from the top. The construction of the California Lighthouse started in 1915. The name 'Cal-

fornia' came from a vessel of the West India Company and Pacific Steamship Co. called 'California' that shipwrecked in the area in 1891. Therefore they came up with the idea of building a lighthouse that could indicate the island's eastern tip to ships with its light. www.arubalighthouse.com will give you more information.

Kayak in the Mangroves

Mangel Halto at Savaneta is definitely a place not to miss out on. The beautiful beach with the natural mangroves is simply a beauty, but if you are into a more active way to enjoy the nature: take a kayak. While you are doing some workout -as it might get a little windy and rough-, you will see the island from a different perspective. You can even make a stop to do some snorkeling at the reef. Its fun, it's healthy and for sure something else. There are several companies that offer kayak tours, we had good experience with The Shack Kayak Tours Aruba, find them on Facebook. □



SPORTS



New York Yankees' Aaron Judge gestures toward teammates before a baseball game against the Oakland Athletics in Oakland, Calif., Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

Associated Press

Aaron Judge begins taking cage swings off tee in his rehab

By JANIE McCAULEY

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Yankees slugger Aaron Judge took his first swings off a tee since breaking his right wrist July 26, a significant early step in what he hopes is a return to the field for New York in a couple of weeks.

Judge, the reigning AL Rookie of the Year, took 25 dry swings Monday in Oakland's center-field cage before taking another 25 off the tee at what he called 100 percent effort. He said he felt good enough in recent days and without pain that the decision was made he would begin hitting again.

"Just moving in the right direction. Definitely a big step," Judge said, sitting in the Oakland Coliseum dugout. "I'm kind of on track with what we kind of wanted to accomplish, so I'm excited about the progress we're making so far. It feels good. So I've just got to keep moving forward, keep having good days and just keep kind of building off that."

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DeChambeau wins for second straight week

Bryson DeChambeau holds the trophy after winning the Dell Technologies Championship golf tournament at TPC Boston in Norton, Mass., Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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Djokovic gets through on hot day; Federer next at US Open?

By **HOWARD FENDRICH**

AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Facing much more resistance from the 90-degree heat and 50-percent humidity than from his outclassed opponent, Novak Djokovic figured he can count on cooler conditions during a night match at the U.S. Open his next time out.

The next foe? That could be Roger Federer.

Djokovic left the court at Arthur Ashe Stadium for a medical timeout — the second time during the tournament he's sought help from a doctor because of harsh weather — during what would become an otherwise straightforward 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 victory over 68th-ranked Joao Sousa of Portugal on Monday in the fourth round at Flushing Meadows.

"I'm not 21 anymore. That was 10 years ago. I still don't feel old. But at the same time, there is a little biological clock that is not really working in your favor," the No. 6-seeded Djokovic told the crowd afterward. "Sometimes, you just have to survive."

He reached the quarterfinals for an 11th consecutive appearance in New York as he bids for a third U.S. Open championship and 14th Grand Slam trophy. To add to his resume, though, he might need to beat Federer, who has won five of his men's-record 20 major titles at Flushing Meadows.

Federer was scheduled to play 55th-ranked John



Novak Djokovic, of Serbia, serves to Joao Sousa, of Portugal, during the fourth round of the U.S. Open tennis tournament, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018, in New York.

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Millman of Australia in the fourth round on Monday night. Like Sousa, Millman had never before made it this far at a Slam.

The other quarterfinal on the bottom half of the draw will be a rematch of the 2014 U.S. Open final: No. 7 Marin Cilic against No. 21 Kei Nishikori. Cilic, who beat Nishikori four years ago for his only major title, was a 7-6 (6), 6-2, 6-4 winner against No. 10 David Goffin, while Nishikori advanced by de-

feating Philipp Kohlschreiber 6-3, 6-2, 7-5.

Both Nishikori and Djokovic missed last year's U.S. Open with arm injuries.

Asked Monday whether he thought during that time away about returning to the height of his powers, Djokovic replied: "I have imagined. I have hoped for. I have prayed for that." He improved to 28-0 at the U.S. Open against opponents ranked outside the top 50, and here's another

reason it wasn't all that surprising the way things went against Sousa: Djokovic is now 5-0 in their head-to-head series, taking all 14 sets they've played against each other.

The heat, though, is much tougher on Djokovic, who showed the same blank expression, rosy cheeks and sweat-soaked shirt as during his first-round match last week. That was the first time in tournament history that the U.S. Open created an extreme heat policy for men's matches — players can opt for a 10-minute break between the third and fourth sets — similar to what's standard on the women's tour, when there can be a delay between the second and third sets.

"It's not easy," Djokovic said, "to play in these kind of conditions."

His match didn't get to the point of a heat interruption, because he wrapped it up in straight sets, but that did come into play for a couple of women's matches.

It was most striking during Lesia Tsurenko's 6-7 (3), 7-5, 6-2 win against Marketa Vondrousova, in which both players seemed affected by the temperature and mugginess.

Tsurenko left the court for a health check after the first set and often leaned on her racket between points, saying later she felt dizzy at the Grandstand court, which doesn't offer shade the way the tournament's two bigger arenas do.

Vondrousova wasn't all that sure Tsurenko had issues.

"I don't think she was struggling so much," Vondrousova said. "She was just acting."

The 19-year-old Vondrousova, who said she dealt with cramping, certainly helped decide the outcome: Of Tsurenko's 107 points, only 17 came via winners; 73 were her opponent's unforced errors.

Also into the quarterfinals: 2017 runner-up Madison Keys of the U.S. and No. 20 Naomi Osaka of Japan. Osaka beat No. 26 Aryna Sabalenka 6-3, 2-6, 6-4 to earn her first trip to a Grand Slam quarterfinal. The 20-year-old Osaka was already the first Japanese woman to get to the fourth round in New York since 2004.

Keys overwhelmed No. 29 Dominika Cibulkova 6-1, 6-3 thanks to a 25-7 edge in winners and now will face five-time major champion Maria Sharapova or Carla Suarez Navarro, who played Monday night. □



Midfielder Christian Pulisic to miss U.S. exhibitions

CHICAGO (AP) — Midfielder Christian Pulisic will miss the United States' exhibitions against Brazil and Mexico because of a muscle injury, and Sebastian Lletget will return to the national team for the first time since a severe foot injury in March 2017.

Interim coach Dave Sarachan selected 24 players Sunday for the matches, again bypassing veterans such as Michael Bradley

and Jozy Altidore. Sarachan replaced Bruce Arena last October after the U.S. failed to qualify for the World Cup and has given 18 players debuts in six games, including 10 age-eligible for the 2020 Olympics.

Aaron Long, a 25-year-old New York Red Bulls central defender, is the only player on the roster with no previous national team experience.

The U.S. plays Brazil on Friday at East Rutherford, New Jersey, and Mexico on Sept. 11 at Nashville, Tennessee.

Pulisic, who turns 20 on Sept. 18, missed Dortmund's Bundesliga match on Friday with what his club called a muscle injury.

Defender John Brooks and midfielder Kellyn Acosta are on the roster for the first time this year.

Tim Weah, son of current Liberian President and former FIFA Player of the Year George Weah, is on the roster after scoring his first goal for Paris Saint-Germain last month. Fellow 18-year-old Josh Sargent, who has yet to make his first-team debut with Werder Bremen, was not included.

Earnie Stewart, the former U.S. midfielder who became general man-

ager last month, is leading the search for a new coach. The Americans do not have a competitive match until the CONCACAF Gold Cup next June. The U.S. plays Colombia on Oct. 11 at Tampa, Florida, and is attempting to schedule a second game for next month. The Americans play England on Nov. 15 at London and Italy five days later at a site to be announced. □

Griner, Mercury rally to beat Storm, force deciding Game 5

PHOENIX (AP) — Four times this postseason, the Phoenix Mercury have faced elimination.

They've won all four and now it's on to Seattle for another one.

Brittney Griner provided the deciding offense and necessary defense in the final seconds as the Mercury beat the Seattle Storm 86-84 on Sunday to force a deciding Game 5 in their WNBA semifinal series.

The 6-foot-9 center scored on a short hook shot with 14.1 seconds to play then prevented Breanna Stewart from getting a shot off before the buzzer as the Mercury rallied from a 17-point deficit to beat the Storm in Phoenix for the second straight time.

The Mercury had to survive single-elimination games against Dallas and Connecticut just to get to the Storm, then fell down 0-2 with a pair of losses in Seattle.

"It's the team that shows a lot of heart in every single one of these games," Griner said. "Doing whatever it is, whoever it is at the time. At different points of time different people step up and make big plays, hustle plays. I think that's what's giving us that edge right now."

Griner had 29 points and 12 rebounds and DeWanna Bonner scored 21 of her 27 in the second half.

Game 5 will be Tuesday night in Seattle. Diana Tau-rasi, who had 16 points, is 13-0 in her WNBA playoff career in winner-take-all games.

The other semifinal series, between Atlanta and Washington, also has gone to a Game 5.

The Storm lost Sue Bird with a broken nose with 4:23 left in the third quarter when she took an accidental elbow to the face from Stewart. Bird, who has broken her nose five times, said she



Phoenix Mercury center Brittney Griner (42) is guarded by Seattle Storm's Sami Whitcomb (33) and Natasha Howard as she tries to drive to the basket during the first half of Game 4 of a WNBA basketball semifinals playoff game, Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, in Phoenix.

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will play in Game 5.

"I think they lost their leader," Bonner said. "However, for her going out, they still played great basketball. They were still making shots. ... They lost a big part of their puzzle but they still played great basketball. They only

lost by two points."

Stewart, the WNBA's MVP, led Seattle with 22 points. Griner's winning basket came after Bonner missed and Phoenix's Camille Little grabbed the rebound. Little got the ball to Griner, who scored. The Storm worked

the ball to Stewart at the end but she couldn't get a shot off against Griner's defense.

"The initial play we wanted to run kind of broke down early," Stewart said, "and then we were just playing on the fly. Being under the basket with B.G. on you is a tough shot. Still, I should have gotten a shot off just because it was the last play of the game."

Griner noted she'd fouled Stewart on a 3-point shot a few moments earlier.

"I had to do something to make it up," she said. "We knew the ball was going to go to into Stewart's hands and we had to play defense, don't foul, try not to let her score and tie it up to go to overtime. ... I stayed there and kept my hands up high." Phoenix trailed by 17 in the first half, 16 early in the second and still was down 69-57 after Stewart sank a 19-footer with 1:27 left in the third quarter. □

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DeChambeau makes it 2 straight wins in FedEx Cup playoffs

By DOUG FERGUSON

NORTON, Mass. (AP) — Bryson DeChambeau has found the right formula for the richest part of the PGA Tour season.

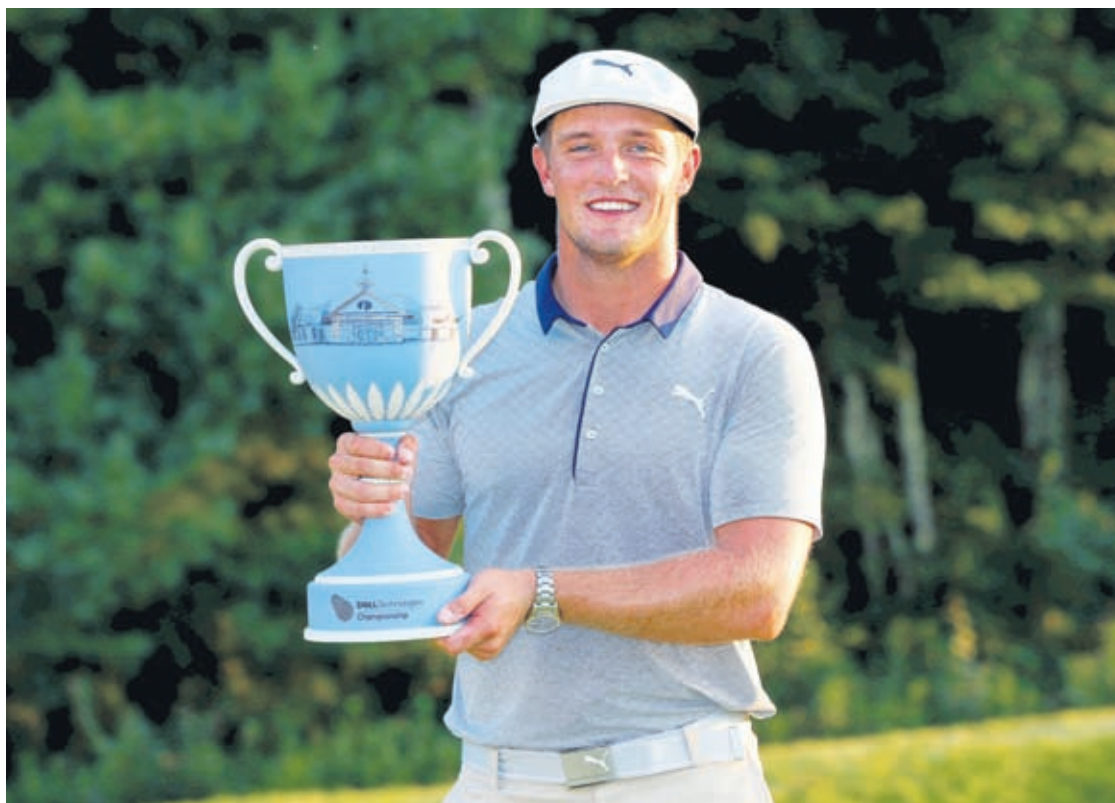
Coming off a four-shot victory last week in New Jersey, the 24-year-old physics major known as the "Mad Scientist" pulled away with three straight birdies to close out the front nine and kept his distance the rest of the way to win the Dell Technologies Championship on Monday.

DeChambeau closed with a 4-under 67 for a two-shot victory on the TPC Boston, becoming only the second player in the 12 years of the lucrative FedEx Cup to win the opening two playoff events.

Vijay Singh did it in 2008 before the points system was changed to create more volatility. Singh effectively had the \$10 million prize wrapped up before the finale.

DeChambeau, with his third victory this year, was assured of being the No. 1 seed when he gets to the Tour Championship, no matter what happens next week at the third playoff event outside Philadelphia. And he would appear to be a shoo-in to be one of U.S. captain Jim Furyk's three Ryder Cup picks to be announced Tuesday. The idea is to find the hottest player to fill out the team, and no one has been close to DeChambeau over the last two weeks.

DeChambeau, who started the year at No. 99 in the world, moved past Rory



Bryson DeChambeau holds the trophy after winning the Dell Technologies Championship golf tournament at TPC Boston in Norton, Mass., Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

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McIlroy to No. 7. He finished at 16-under 268 and made \$1,620,000 for the second straight week.

Starting the final round one shot behind Abraham Ancer, and among 10 players within four shots of the lead, DeChambeau had a two-putt birdie from 50 feet on No. 7, took the lead with a 12-foot birdie putt on the 220-yard eighth hole, and then hit his approach to 6 feet to a back right pin at No. 9 for his third straight birdie.

Cameron Smith of Australia tried to make a run at him with a pair of late birdies, but DeChambeau answered with a birdie on No. 15 to keep his lead at two shots. Needing an eagle to catch him on the par-5

18th, Smith came up short and into the hazard and made bogey.

Justin Rose birdied three of his last four holes for a 68 and wound up alone in second.

Ancer couldn't keep pace, dropping three shots in the tough four-hole stretch early on the back nine. A birdie on the final hole would have given the 27-year-old Mexican a tie for third and a reasonable chance at going to the Tour Championship. He also came up short into the hazard and made bogey. The small consolation for Ancer was moving from No. 92 to No. 56, which at least made him among the top 70 who advance to the BMW Championship at Aronim-

ink next week.

A few others also were happy to have another week left in a long season. Peter Uihlein, the former U.S. Amateur champion in his first full season on the PGA Tour, birdied his last three holes for a 68. He played with Keith Mitchell, another PGA Tour rookie, who birdied his last two holes for a 69. Both moved into the top 70.

Matt Kuchar failed to advance beyond the second playoff event for the first time in 10 years, meaning he won't get another chance to state his case as a potential Ryder Cup pick. Furyk makes his fourth selection after the BMW Championship.

The likely choices would

seem to be DeChambeau, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods — they finished Nos. 9, 10 and 11 when qualifying ended for eight automatic berths after the PGA Championship. Woods closed with a 71 and tied for 24th. Mickelson, who has played on every Ryder Cup team since 1995, boosted his case by winning a World Golf Championships event in Mexico in March, and he made nine birdies Monday in a closing round of 63.

"So fortunate also that it's the day before the Ryder Cup picks, although I don't feel that should be a bearing," Mickelson said. "I think you have to look at the big picture through the course of the year statistically. ... But it certainly doesn't hurt."

Hideki Matsuyama made seven birdies in 10 holes before he cooled and shot 65, though it at least made it easier for the Japanese star to try to get to the Tour Championship. Jordan Spieth still has work to do. He was one shot out of the lead on the front nine until a bogey on the par-5 seventh hole, and three more bogeys in five holes to start the back nine. He ended by missing a 6-foot eagle putt and had to settle for a 70, moving him up to only No. 27.

The top 30 make it to East Lake for the Tour Championship, where everyone has a mathematical chance at the \$10 million prize.

It doesn't take a degree in physics to figure out that DeChambeau will have the best odds of all. □



Scott McCarron, left, of the United States, gets a kiss from his wife Jennifer McCarron, following his win of the PGA Tour Champion's Shaw Charity Classic golf event final round in Calgary, Alberta, Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018.

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Scott McCarron has ace in successful Calgary title defense

CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — Scott McCarron had a one-hop ace on the par-3 14th and closed with a birdie Sunday to successfully defend his Shaw Charity Classic title.

McCarron shot a 7-under 63 for a one-stroke victory over Scott Parel, Joe Durant and Kirk Triplett at Canyon Meadows. The 53-year-old

McCarron has seven PGA Tour Champions victories, also winning in Madison, Wisconsin, in June, after winning three times on the PGA Tour.

"Playing up in Canada means a lot to me with my mom being Canadian, still a Canadian citizen," McCarron said. "I first got my start in professional golf

on the Canadian Tour. So being up here in Canada really means a lot for me, and to win this tournament twice now is just a dream come true."

Triplett had a 65. Needing birdie to force a playoff, he parred the 18th after driving short and right and leaving a wedge approach well short. □



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Brad Keselowski puts aside struggles with Darlington win

By PETE IACOBELLI

AP Sports Writer

DARLINGTON, S.C. (AP) —

Brad Keselowski took nearly the entire season to break through to victory lane. Kyle Larson will have to wait a little bit longer.

Keselowski overtook Larson's dominant car by a few feet coming out of the pits on the final caution, then took off on the restart to win the Southern 500 — a satisfying moment in a season of struggles for the former NASCAR champion.

"That's how this sport rolls," said a smiling Keselowski. "That's how life rolls. You've just got to keep pushing forward and make the most of the opportunities and know the breaks will come your way just as they fell against you previously. That's part of the perseverance it takes to be successful."

Larson knows all about perseverance. He had strongest car at Darlington on

Sunday night, led a whopping 284 of 367 laps, yet left in third place behind Keselowski and his Team Penske teammate Joey Logano.

It was the eighth time this year — and 38th time in his five full-time Cup seasons — Larson finished in the top five without winning. Larson led 200 laps in Bristol's spring race and wound up second after Kyle Busch's textbook bump-and-run move five laps from the end last April.

Larson led 101 laps at Kansas a month later until eventual winner Kevin Harvick got him on a restart and Larson's Chip Ganassi Racing machine tangled with Ryan Blaney, costing him a shot at the win.

"I mean, this is my fifth Cup season, and I've run second or third a lot," said the 26-year-old Larson. "I guess you get used to the disappointment or whatever you want to call it."

Larson sat for his late-night media session mostly without emotion, putting the best spin on his latest close call. He was happy to lead so many laps, to have a fast car, to know that his team may have the power to contend in the playoffs, where Larson has already clinched a spot in the 16-team field.

"I feel like we've kind of been stale up until this weekend," Larson said. "We had a (recent) good test at Richmond. We learned some things with some different components, and I felt like it really helped our car there."

Next up comes the breakthrough to the checkered flag.

Keselowski understands how difficult it is to run up front and not have the win to show for it. He believes his Penske Ford was good enough to win several times this year until critical errors on his part ruined the chance.

When drivers don't capitalize on those opportunities, it can lead to doubts about when they'll come around again, Keselowski said.

"You just never know when you're going to get a winning race car again," he said. "You hope it's every week. You enter every weekend thinking that. But you get to the race track



Brad Keselowski stands by his trophy after winning the NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Darlington Raceway, Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, in Darlington, S.C.

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and it's not there, you think, what if I never get another car capable of winning." Keselowski recalls his early days in the Cup series when the machines he had were not capable of keeping up. When that changed, Keselowski's career and confidence took off. "There's almost a point in time you take that for granted," the 34-year-old driver said. "You start to see that slip away and you think to yourself, 'Oh, my God, this could be it.'"

That's why the win at Darlington, he said, was so important and in his words, "refreshing."

"They recharge your batteries so much because the season is such a death march, especially when things aren't going well," he explained.

Larson sounds like his batteries are still fully charged. He's confident that if his team brings more cars to tracks like the one he had at Darlington, good things will happen. Keselowski sees that, too.

"Kyle Larson's going to win this race one day," Keselowski said. "And when that day comes, he'll think about this one and how this one probably slipped away." □

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Kemp's 2-run double in 9th rallies Dodgers past D-backs

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Matt Kemp beat the Diamondbacks for the second straight game, hitting a two-run double in the ninth inning that lifted the Los Angeles Dodgers over Arizona 3-2 Sunday for sole possession of first place in the NL West.

A day after Kemp launched a go-ahead, three-run homer in the eighth against Archie Bradley, the Dodgers' slugger tagged him again.

Kemp's one-out drive off the wall in left-center field put Los Angeles alone atop the West for the first time since Aug. 7. The Dodgers beat the Diamondbacks by identical 3-2 scores three days in a row, after Arizona won the series opener at Dodger Stadium.

Brad Boxberger (2-5) started the ninth and put the potential tying and go-ahead runs on with consecutive walks to pinch-hitter Alex Verdugo and Max Muncy. The runners advanced on Enrique Hernandez's sacrifice bunt and set up Kemp. Daniel Descalso homered leading off the ninth against Caleb Ferguson to put Arizona ahead 2-1.

Kenley Jansen (1-5) got the last three outs.

BRAVES 5, PIRATES 1

ATLANTA (AP) — Ronald Acuna Jr. hit his seventh leadoff homer of the season and scored the tie-



Los Angeles Dodgers' Matt Kemp, left, is doused by teammate Yasiel Puig after Kemp's two-run walk-off double against the Arizona Diamondbacks during a baseball game Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, in Los Angeles.

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breaking run in a four-run eighth inning to help NL East-leading Atlanta beat Pittsburgh.

The 20-year-old Acuna singled off Steven Brault (5-3) to begin the eighth, advanced on a bunt and scored from second on a headfirst slide after second baseman Kevin Newman errantly let Freddie Freeman's hard grounder bounce between his legs and roll into shallow right field.

Acuna's first-inning shot was his 23rd overall and tied the franchise record for leadoff

homers that Marquis Grissom set in 1996.

The Braves increased their division lead over Philadelphia to four games.

Jonny Venters (4-1) got the last out of the Pirates' eighth to earn a win in relief for the second straight game.

REDS 6, CARDINALS 4

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Eugenio Suarez's two-run homer off of Bud Norris in the 10th inning lifted Cincinnati past St. Louis.

After Suarez's 31st of the season, Brandon Dixon hit a solo homer four pitches later as the Reds hit back-

to-back homers for the fifth time this season, the sixth and seventh home runs given up by Norris (3-4).

They came right after Michael Lorenzen (2-1) pitched out a bases loaded, nobody out jam in the ninth without giving up a run to send the game to extra innings. Raisel Iglesias earned his 25th save in 29 chances despite allowing a run for the fourth time in his last five outings.

The Reds won for just the third time in their last 11 games, including the last two against the Cardinals,

snapping their series winning streak at 10. St. Louis (76-61) fell a half game behind the Milwaukee Brewers into the second wild card spot in the National League.

ROCKIES 7, PADRES 3

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Chris Iannetta hit a go-ahead, two-run double in the seventh inning and Colorado salvaged a split of the four-game series to stay within a half-game of the NL West lead.

The Rockies came into the series one-half game behind Arizona before losing the first two games. They snapped San Diego's four-game winning streak on Saturday night and then beat rookie Jacob Nix (2-3) on Sunday.

Arizona and the Los Angeles Dodgers were tied for the division lead going into Sunday's finale of their four-game series at Dodger Stadium.

Colorado, which lost to Arizona in the NL wild-card game last year, won for the third time in seven games. Kyle Freeland (13-7) got the win, allowing three runs and seven hits in six innings. He struck out three and walked two.

METS 4, GIANTS 1

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Noah Syndergaard pitched a two-hitter for his first career complete game, striking out 11 as New York beat San Francisco. □

Indians newcomer Donaldson goes on DL, hits slam at Triple-A



Cleveland Indians' Josh Donaldson waits to bat during batting practice before a baseball game against the Tampa Bay Rays, Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, in Cleveland.

Associated Press

CLEVELAND (AP) — Josh Donaldson hit a grand slam in Triple-A on Monday, soon after the Cleveland Indians put the new arrival on the disabled list to give him more time to rehab a calf injury in the minor leagues.

Donaldson connected for Columbus. He walked and lined out before homering against Toledo.

The AL Central-leading Indians acquired the 2015 AL MVP from Toronto on Friday. Donaldson has been limited to just 36 games in the majors this year — none since late May — and the

Indians are hoping he can get healthy enough to help them in the postseason.

Donaldson played third base and batted second in Columbus' final game of the season. Cleveland manager Terry said Donaldson will work out with the Indians on Tuesday and then join Double-A Akron for the Eastern League playoffs.

Francona said multiple meetings took place with Donaldson and the team's baseball and medical staffs before the decision was made for him to get playing time in the minors

before returning to the majors. "When you try to not get over-excited about him being here and getting on the field, we felt like him playing a handful of games would put him in the best position to be healthy where he could come back and play maybe back to back and play multiple games," Francona said.

Donaldson can be activated on Sept. 11. Once he's been cleared and ready to play for them, the Indians intend to have him at third and slide All-Star Jose Ramirez to second. Jason

Kipnis will be moving to the outfield.

Francona said both players will begin working out at their new positions this week.

"We'll make that move when they're ready even if it's before Donaldson is back with us," Francona said. The 32-year-old Donaldson hasn't played in a major league game since May 28.

Donaldson took batting practice and did drills at Progressive Field on Sunday. Afterward, he said he was close to being 100 percent. □

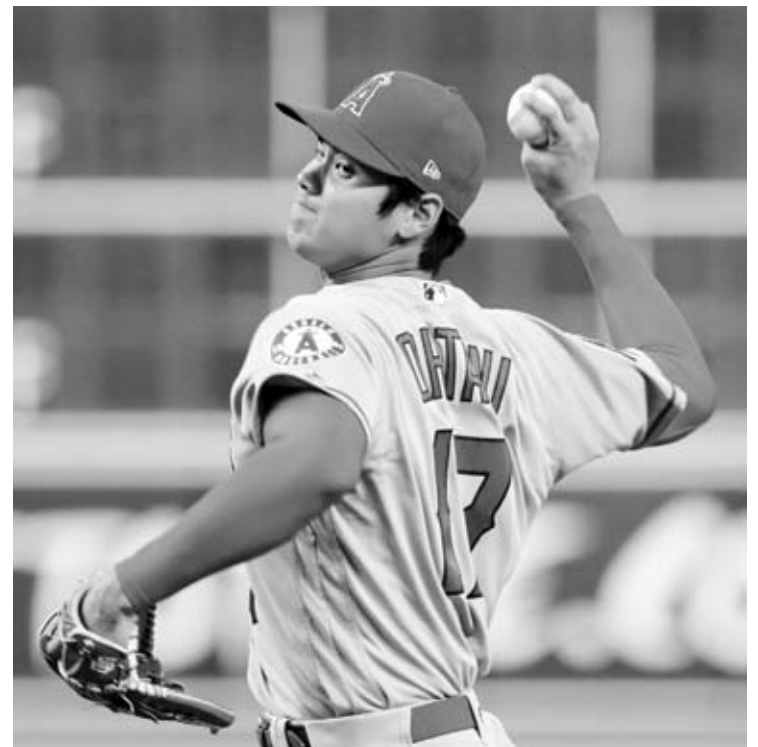
Springer, Astros beat Angels 4-2 in Ohtani's pitching return

By The Associated Press
HOUSTON (AP) — George Springer hit a two-run homer and finished a triple shy of the cycle to lead Houston past Los Angeles in Shohei Ohtani's return to the mound for the Angels. Ohtani (4-2) lasted just 2 1/3 innings in his first time pitching since June 6 because of an elbow strain. Both of the hits he allowed were to Springer — a leadoff single and his two-run shot in the third that made it 2-0. Alex Bregman finished with two hits and his solo homer in the seventh inning pushed the lead to 4-2. Ohtani joined Babe Ruth as the only players in major league history to start 10 games as a pitcher and hit 10 homers in a single season. The rookie, who has 15 homers, missed almost a month after he was injured before returning as the team's designated hitter on July 3.

Houston starter Gerrit Cole (13-5) allowed six hits and two runs in 5 2/3 innings for his third straight win after losing three in a row. He struck out nine to move past teammate Justin Verlander (240) and into first place in the American League with 243 strikeouts. Roberto Osuna pitched a perfect ninth

for his 12th save.
RAYS 6, INDIANS 4
CLEVELAND (AP) — Rookie Brandon Lowe homered and drove in three runs to lead Tampa Bay. Ryan Yarbrough, another rookie, allowed one run in five-plus innings of relief for opener Diego Castillo, who was removed after Yandy Diaz's leadoff single in the second. Yarbrough (13-5), who earned his major league-leading 11th relief win, was pulled after Jose Ramirez's RBI single in the seventh. Adam Kolarek pitched two scoreless innings before Cleveland made it closer in the ninth. The Rays have won 11 of 13 and are a season-high 10 games over .500 (73-63). Tampa Bay trails Oakland by eight games for the second wild card spot in the AL. Francisco Lindor singled off Hunter Wood to lead off the ninth. Jose Ramirez drew a one-out walk and Diaz had an RBI single. Jose Alvarado replaced Wood and struck out Yonder Alonso, but Melky Cabrera's two-run double cut the lead to two. Alvarado struck out Jason Kipnis for his seventh save in 10 opportunities. Carlos Carrasco (16-7) al-

lowed five runs in 6 1/3 innings and lost for the third time in his last 11 decisions. ATHLETICS 8, MARINERS 2
OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Stephen Piscotty homered twice and drove in five runs as Oakland widened its lead over Seattle for the second AL wild-card spot. The A's moved 5 1/2 games ahead of Seattle for the final AL wild-card slot. Edwin Jackson (5-3) allowed one run and three hits in six innings. He improved to 5-0 with a 1.30 ERA in five career starts against the Mariners. Athletics reliever Fernando Rodney surrendered Ryon Healy's two-out RBI single in the eighth. Blake Treinen recorded four outs for his 35th save. Seattle starter Felix Hernandez (8-13) is 0-7 over nine outings since beating the Royals on June 30. RANGERS 18, TWINS 4
ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Yohander Mendez earned his first major league win and Nomar Mazara hit two of Texas' six homers. Mendez (1-1) allowed three hits and one walk while striking out two in six scoreless innings. He was making his second major league start in a season when he was a combined 2-10 with the Rangers' top three farm



Los Angeles Angels starting pitcher Shohei Ohtani (17) throws against the Houston Astros during the first inning of a baseball game Sunday, Sep. 2, 2018, in Houston.

Associated Press

teams. Mazara hit a two-run homer in a nine-run sixth inning and a solo homer in a five-run eighth as the Rangers pounded 12 extra-base hits, tying a team record set in 1986. Twenty-three-year-old Gabriel Moya, 11 days older than Venezuelan countryman Mendez, made his first major league start after compiling a 3-0 record in 24 relief outings. Moya gave up a two-run homer to Elvis Andrus in the first. Zack Littell took over in the second and pitched into the sixth, when Robinson Chirinos homered to key the big inning.

WHITE SOX 8, RED SOX 0
CHICAGO (AP) — James Shields threw six scoreless innings, Tim Anderson and Daniel Palka homered and Chicago beat major league-leading Boston. Anderson had three hits — including two doubles — for the White Sox, who have won seven of their last 10 games. Xander Bogaerts and J.D. Martinez had two hits apiece for Boston, which had won four of its last five. The Red Sox have the majors' best record at 94-44 and maintained a 7 1/2 -game lead in the AL East over the New York Yankees, who lost to Detroit. □

AARON JUDGE BEGINS Continued from Page 17

Hopefully ramp it up here in the next couple days and be back out there soon." The next step for Judge is expected to be some more cage swings off the tee, then hitting soft toss and batting practice before live BP as soon as this weekend. With the minor league schedule complete, manager Aaron Boone said the Yankees will "get creative" in how to get Judge the at-bats he needs — perhaps with a combination of simulated games and some work at the club's Tampa, Florida, complex. Boone was encouraged by

Judge experiencing no discomfort and planned to discuss different scenarios with general manager Brian Cashman. "We definitely feel like he's starting to build some momentum. For him to get to swing and hit off the tee and it go really well is obviously a great sign," Boone said before the afternoon opener of a three-game series against the Athletics. "I know he's pleased with it and just starting to build momentum toward getting back, so today was a very good day of progress." Boone doesn't want to guess when Judge might be back in the Yankees' lineup, saying it all will be based on how the right

fielder responds after each step. And when Judge is ready, he will likely be back in right field as well as taking some games in the designated hitter spot. Judge was batting .285 with 26 homers, 20 doubles and 61 RBIs in 99 games before the injury, which happened when he was hit by a fastball from Kansas City's Jakob Junis. "He's excited about where he's at," Boone said. "Once we get through this weekend, if he continues to graduate then we start thinking about a possible timeline about maybe getting back. ... I envision him once he's able to be back that he's a full-bore Aaron Judge player." Yankees shortstop Didi



New York Yankees' Aaron Judge speaks to reporters before a baseball game against the Oakland Athletics in Oakland, Calif., Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

Associated Press

Gregorius, sidelined with a bruised left heel he hurt Aug. 19 in a collision with Toronto's Kendrys Morales beating out an infield

single, is set to run the bases Tuesday and Boone said he is "very close to a return." □

As elections approach, what is the risk of Russian meddling?

By **FRANK BAJAK** and **ADAM GELLER**

Nearly a year after Russian government hackers meddled in the 2016 U.S. election, researchers at cybersecurity firm Trend Micro zeroed in on a new sign of trouble: a group of suspect websites.

The sites mimicked a portal for U.S. senators and their staffs. Emails to Senate users urged them to reset their passwords — an apparent attempt to steal them.

The attempt to infiltrate the Senate network and others reported recently point to Russia's continued efforts to interfere in U.S. politics, which Moscow official denies. There is no clear evidence, experts said, of Kremlin efforts specifically designed to disrupt elections in November.

Still, "we fully realize that we are just one click away of the keyboard from a similar situation repeating itself," Dan Coats, the director of national intelligence, said in July.

Michael McFaul, architect of the Obama administration's Russia policy, has said he believes Russian President Vladimir Putin perceives little benefit in major disruption now, preferring to keep his powder dry for the 2020 presidential contest.

Experts said it is too late to safeguard U.S. voting systems and campaigns this election cycle. Trump's recent decision eliminating



This combination of 2017-2018 photos shows from left, a Facebook posting from a group named "Being Patriotic" attributed to Russian agents by the U.S. House Intelligence Committee, Democratic Sen. Claire McCaskill of Missouri whose campaign was targeted by Russian hackers and voting machines in Chicago after hackers found a way into the voter registration database at the Illinois State Board of Elections in mid-2016.

Associated Press

the White House cybersecurity coordinator's post confirmed his lack of interest in countering Russian meddling, critics say. Congress has not delivered any legislation to combat election interference or disinformation.

But there is time to take stock of interference that has come to light — and to assess the risks of what we don't know.

In mid-2016, hackers got into Illinois' voter registration database. Special counsel Robert Mueller's indictment of a dozen Russian intelli-

gence agents this July said the hackers had stolen information on 500,000 voters.

It is the most notable case of foreign tampering with U.S. election systems made public. There has been no evidence of efforts to change voter information or tamper with voting machines, but experts caution hackers might have planted unseen malware in systems that could be triggered later.

"My unofficial opinion is that we're kind of fooling ourselves if we don't think that they tried to at

least make a pass at all 50 states," said Christopher Krebs, the undersecretary for critical infrastructure at the Department of Homeland Security.

Before the 2016 general election, Russian agents sent spear-phishing emails to 122 state and local elections officials who were customers of election software vendor VR Systems. At least 21 state systems were probed by the same Russian unit, officials said. But federal officials have moved slowly to share intelligence. As of mid-August, 92 state election officials had been given clearances.

Much of the machinery used to collect and tabulate votes is antiquated, built by a handful of unregulated and secretive vendors, the outdated software highly vulnerable to attacks, researchers say.

"If someone was able to compromise even a handful of voting machines I think that would be sufficient to cause people to not trust the system," said Sherri Ramsay, a former National Security Agency senior executive.

Democratic Sen. Claire McCaskill of Missouri, seeking re-election in a state

that voted overwhelmingly for Trump, provided little detail in July when an attempt by Russian hackers to infiltrate her campaign came to light.

"While this attack was not successful, it is outrageous that they think they can get away with this," McCaskill said.

The failed hack, which included an attempt to steal the password of at least one McCaskill staffer through a fake Senate login website identified by Microsoft, is the most notable instance of attempted campaign meddling by Russia made public this year. Microsoft executives said recently that the company had detected attempts by Russia's GRU military intelligence agency to hack two senators.

Since mid-2017, the group behind that attempt has aggressively targeted political groups, universities, enforcement agencies and others, according to TrendMicro.

"Russian hackers appear to be broadening their target set, but I think tying it to the midterm elections is pure speculation at this point," said Michael Connell, an analyst at the federally funded Center for Naval Analyses in Arlington, Virginia. Eric Rosenbach, assistant secretary of defense for global security during the Obama administration and now at Harvard, said Russian intrusion that has come to light may be only a tip to larger, hidden schemes. "There probably have already been compromises of important campaigns in places where it could sway the outcome or undermine trust in the election," Rosenbach said. "We might not see that until the very last moment."

By the time a group called "ReSisters" began organizing a rally against white nationalism, it had spent a year sharing left-wing posts. But in late July, Facebook shut down ReSisters' account and 31 others that researchers said echoed Russian troll operations before the 2016 election. □

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Tariff fight adds to China's economic challenges

By **JOE McDONALD**

Associated Press

BEIJING (AP) — China faces bigger economic challenges than its trade war with the U.S.

Even before tit-for-tat tariffs, growth in the world's No. 2 economy was already forecast to cool from 6.8 percent last year to a still-robust 6.5 percent this year. Communist leaders who are trying to engineer slower, more self-sustaining growth clamped down last year on a bank lending boom that encouraged businesses and families to borrow and spend beyond their means. But it is a tricky balance to strike and communist leaders worry the economy is weakening too much.

Growth in retail sales, a bigger part of the Chinese economy than exports, was weaker than expect in July and close to a 14-year low. Factory output and other sectors also decelerated. Beijing responded by easing lending and boosting government spending. "We expect the economy to get worse before it gets better," said Nomura economists in a report.

Trump's advisers say the slowdown gives Washington leverage in the trade battle.

"Their economy looks terrible," said Trump's top economic adviser, Larry Kudlow, at a Cabinet meeting this month.

But analysts closer to China say it is doing better than Americans might think.

"A lot of this economic slowdown is really the result of an intended policy," said Tai Hui of J.P. Morgan Asset Management in Hong Kong. "The overall growth momentum is still relatively healthy and certainly broadly in line with the authorities' plans."

Here is a breakdown of China's economic strengths and weaknesses:

ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN

July's downturn was more abrupt than policymakers wanted.

Growth in factory output slowed to 6 percent from



In this March 23, 2018, file photo, a shopper wearing a mask against pollution walks past a U.S. apparel store in Beijing.

Associated Press

May's 6.8 percent. Investment in factories and other fixed assets rose at the slowest rate in 19 years. Retail spending and corporate profits weakened.

With less demand from Chinese steel mills, global prices for iron ore are off 14 percent this year — and down 60 percent from their 2010 peak. That cuts revenue for Australia and other producers.

Chinese leaders want to shift emphasis from the headline growth number to poverty reduction, energy efficiency and the environment. But they need to keep the expansion above

6 percent to hit their target of doubling incomes from 2010 levels by 2020.

China's yuan has sunk in value against the dollar. That helps exporters by making Chinese toys, appliances and other goods cheaper for American consumers. But regulators worry it will trigger an outflow of money, making it harder for companies to borrow.

CHINA'S RESPONSE

Regulators eased credit controls, promised more spending on public works and announced policy changes aimed at making Chinese industry more pro-

ductive.

Banks have been told to lend more freely to small exporters that might be hurt by Trump's tariffs. That temporarily backtracks on government efforts to rein in rising debt.

Beijing sees the "growth slowdown as a bigger near-term risk," said UBS economists in a report.

The government is pumping money into the economy with plans to spend more on building roads, bridges and other public works.

This month, sales of infrastructure bonds raised 280 billion yuan (\$41 billion), more than the total for the first seven months of the year, according to Macquarie Bank's Larry Hu.

Beijing has speeded up the rollout of plans to ease restrictions on foreign ownership in auto manufacturing, banking and insurance.

The moves are not, how-

ever, intended to address American complaints at the center of the trade war. Those hinge on U.S. objections to Chinese plans for state-led creation of global champions in robotics, electric cars and other technologies. American officials complain those violate Beijing's market-opening commitments and might erode U.S. industrial leadership.

Instead, China is trying to reduce reliance on foreign markets and technology by promoting domestic consumption and industry development.

TUMBLING STOCKS

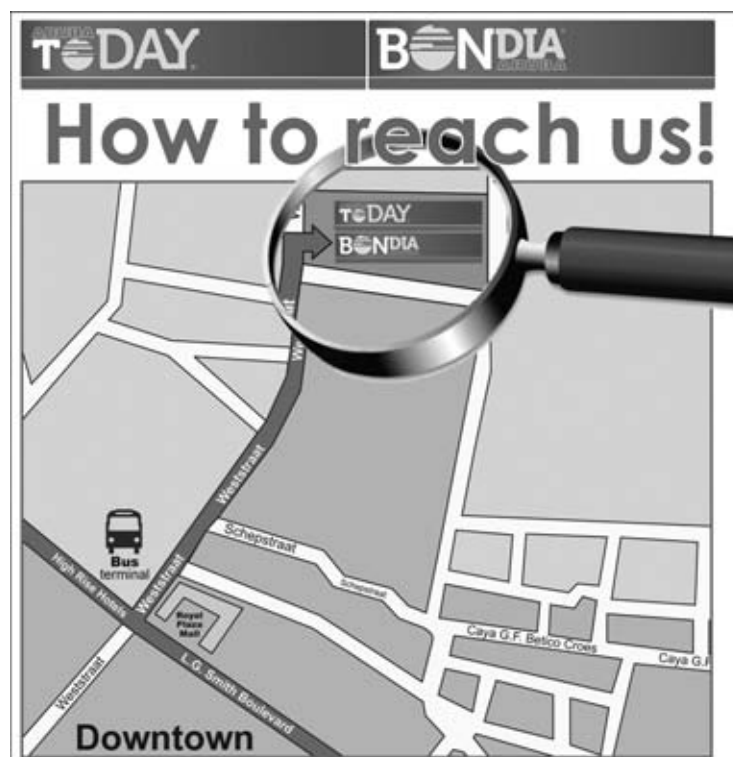
While Wall Street sets records, China's stock market is 2018's worst global performer.

The market benchmark tumbled 25 percent from its January peak to mid-August. It has gained 3.7 percent since then after government spending plans helped to revive investor confidence.

The biggest decliners are real estate, construction and other companies hardest-hit by Beijing's lending controls.

Shares in Poly Real Estate Group, one of China's biggest developers, have lost 40 percent of their value this year. Aluminum Corp. of China Ltd., the country's biggest aluminum producer, is down by half.

The biggest gainers are smaller tech companies that look set to benefit from official industry plans. Shares in Zhongshi Technology Ltd., a Beijing-based maker of insulators for telecoms, medical and automotive equipment, are up 400 percent this year. □



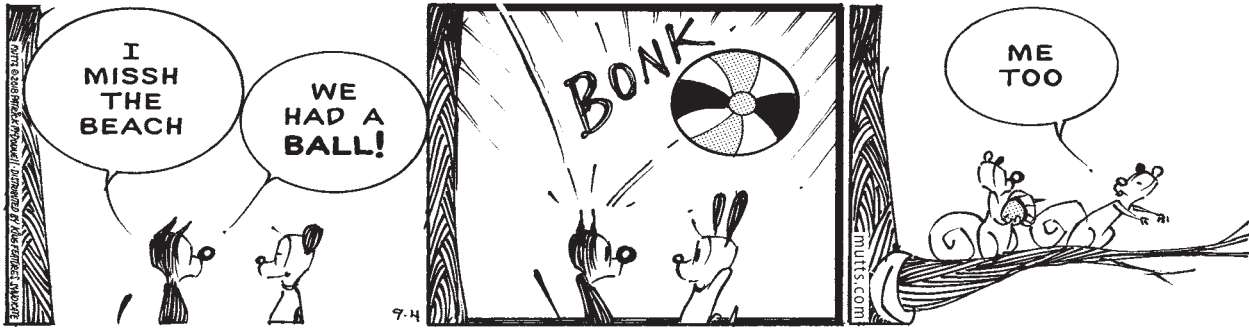
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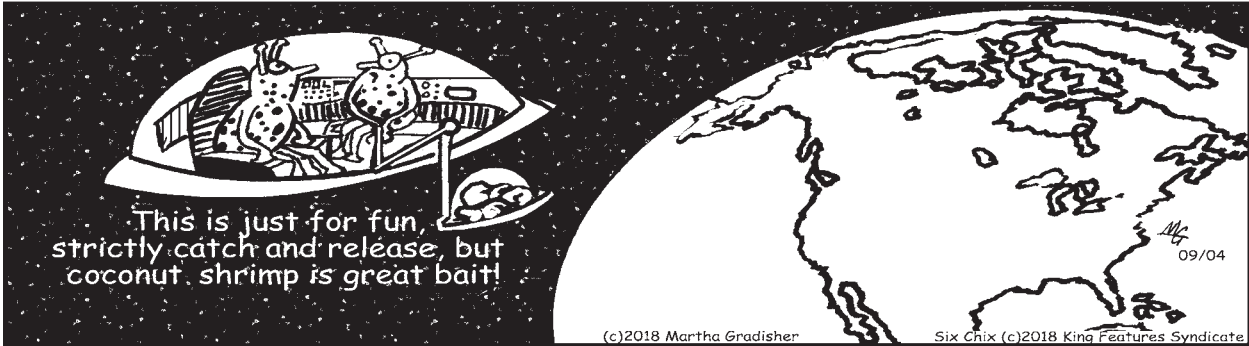
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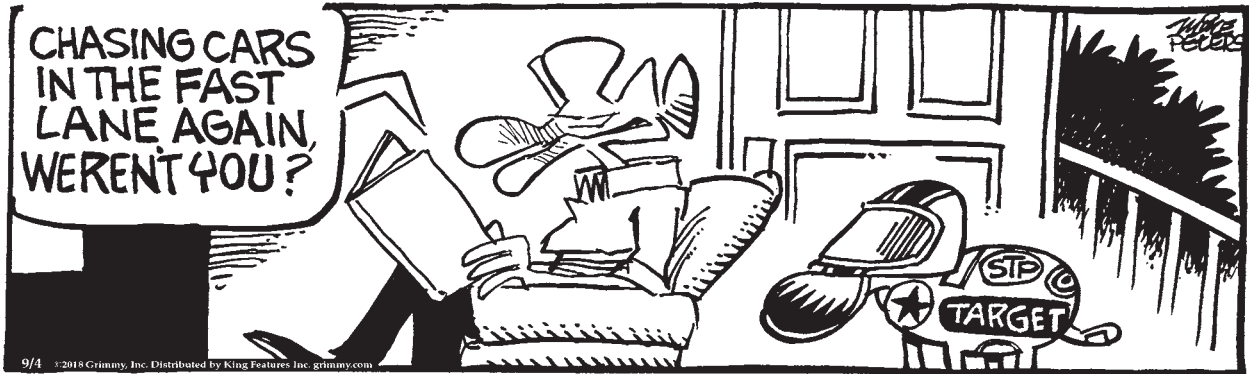
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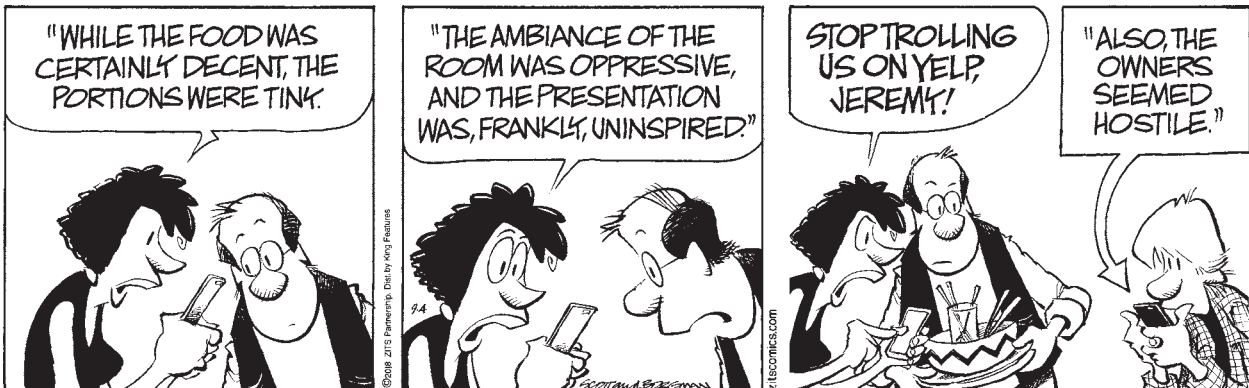
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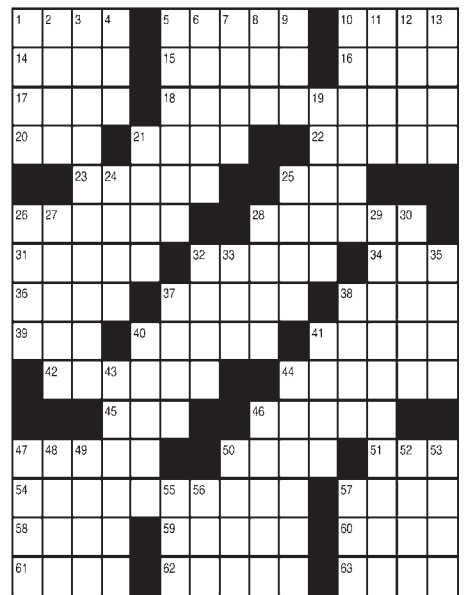
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

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5	6	4	2	8	7	9	3	1
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ACROSS

- San Lucas; Mexican resort
- Fall flower
- Sign of an old surgery
- Televangelist Roberts
- Hauled a car
- Explorer Marco
- Internal spy
- Court reporter's record
- Hooter
- Forest trees
- Dishwasher cycle
- Post or Procter
- Third letter
- Yacht dock
- Bracelet dangles
- Assumed name
- Cook in a Presto
- flash; instantly
- "A __ home is his castle"
- Out in left __; bizarre
- Fret; worry
- "I __ Rock"; Simon & Garfunkel hit
- Can wrapper
- Piece of a flower
- Acting awards
- Dangerous sea creatures
- Afternoon hour
- VP Agnew
- Newton or Hayes
- Official stamp
- Advanced degree, for short
- Exchange letters
- Panty hose problem
- Large trees
- Come up
- "The buck stops __"
- Info on a prescription label
- Warsaw natives
- Open __; alert



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DOWN

- Singer Perry
- "Pretty Maids All in __"; Rock Hudson film
- Toe dancers
- Bullring shout
- Head Hun
- Apologizer's word
- "__ the night before Christmas..."
- Suffix for eight or velvet
- Highways; abbr.
- More agile
- Nickel or dime
- European range
- Learn by __; memorize
- Dairy product
- Swim __; diver's flippers
- Farrow & Kirshner
- African nation
- First word, often
- "Remember the __!"
- Monk's room
- Obama's 2012 opponent
- Kind of preview
- Bro and sis
- Golfer's peg
- Hole makers
- Airline ticket price

- Burn slightly
- Cyclist
- Armstrong
- Donahue or Hartman
- Rough; unrefined
- Black suit
- In a __; sort of
- tea; cold drink
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Study shows health, reaction-time declines in firefighters

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Randy Brooks' son had a request three years ago: What could his dad do to make wildland firefighting safer? To Brooks, a professor at the University of Idaho's College of Natural Resources who deals with wildland firefighting, it was more of a command.

His son, Bo Brooks, is a wildland firefighter who a few days earlier during that 2015 fire season fled a wall of flames that killed three of his fellow firefighters in eastern Washington.

The result of the conversation was an online survey that drew some 400 firefighters who mostly identified mental and physical fatigue as the primary cause of injuries to firefighters who are often confronted with a changing, dangerous environment.

But a self-selecting online survey is not necessarily representative of what's happening in the field. So Randy Brooks decided to apply some science.

That led to an ongoing health-monitoring study involving wrist-worn motion monitors and body composition measurements that last year found health declines and deteriorating reaction times among firefighters as the season progressed.

"A lot of them face peer pressure to perform all the time," Brooks said. "Others feel pressured to protect natural resources and structures at all costs."

About 19,000 firefighters are currently in the field fighting nearly 40 large wildfires. Fourteen firefighters have died this year as wildfires have scorched about 3,500 square miles (9,000 square kilometers) and destroyed about 3,000 homes.



In this Aug. 9, 2018, file photo, firefighters keep watch the Holy Fire burning in the Cleveland National Forest in Lake Elsinore, Calif.

Associated Press

The study last year found firefighters lost muscle mass but gained fat based on body-composition testing before and after the season. The firefighters also wore a wrist device called a Readiband from a company called Fatigue Science. The device keeps track of how many hours of sleep a person gets. Formulas developed by the U.S. military then calculate fatigue, based on a lack of sleep. That's used to predict alertness and reaction times, which get worse as fatigue levels rise.

Firefighters in the field can get as little as six hours of sleep or less each night. The devices found that not only did reaction times falter as firefighters remained longer on a fire before getting a mandatory break, Brooks said, but firefighters also tended to take longer to recover as the season progressed. Sometimes, fatigue levels reached a level that suggested reaction times slowed down

so much it took firefighters twice as long to react.

Brooks said his initial thoughts are that wildland firefighters might need better nutrition to stay fit and mentally sharp. But last year's study had only nine firefighters. Brooks this year has expanded the study to 18 firefighters, 16 men and two women. They're smokejumpers, meaning they parachute from airplanes to fight fires.

Brooks said that next year he hopes to have about

100 firefighters and include hotshot crews, a ground-based wildland firefighter that can, like smokejumpers, be deployed on a national basis.

Smokejumpers in the study often eat pre-made meals. Brooks wants to find out if maybe those meals are behind some of the puzzling results from last year's study, such as a loss in muscle mass.

Hotshots, meanwhile, can return to a central spot where they get prepared

food supplied by the U.S. Forest Service. That agency has done extensive research on what it takes to keep wildland firefighters fueled, and contractors who supply the meals must meet Forest Service nutritional guidelines.

Forest Service health experts have even followed firefighting crews to take blood samples to check glucose levels, which can indicate alertness.

Joe Domitrovich, an exercise physiologist with the Forest Service's National Technology and Development Program in Missoula, Montana, said that experiment led the agency to change gears and recommend firefighters snack during their shifts to keep glucose levels up.

"It's critical for cognitive function as well as physical movement," he said.

The agency declined to comment on the University of Idaho study.

Brooks said at this point in his study there are more questions than answers. For example, one question is why so many firefighter deaths are due to falling branches or trees. The deaths of three of the 14 firefighters who died last year were due to what are called hazard trees. □

NASA anxious to hear from Mars rover as dust storm clears

By **MARCIA DUNN**
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

(AP) — NASA is anxious to hear from its dust-silenced Mars rover, Opportunity, as the planet's red skies clear. Flight controllers have been on the alert for a message from Opportunity ever since a dust storm enveloped Mars in June and contact was lost. The storm has finally diminished. That means the sky is now clear enough for Opportunity's solar panels to receive sunlight and fire back up.

But NASA this week warned it may never hear from Opportunity again. If there's no word back in the next

couple of months, NASA said it will cut back on its listening effort. Even if a message does get through, that may be the most the rover — mute since June 10 — can muster.

Even before the dust storm, the 15-year-old rover was exhibiting signs of old age. Its front steering and flash memory are shot.

"We are pulling for our tenacious rover to pull her feet from the fire one more time," project manager John Callas said in a statement from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California.

Opportunity's twin, Spirit,

got stuck in soft Martian dirt in 2009, and NASA eventually gave up trying to free it. Both rovers were designed to operate for just 90 days, however, and exceeded expectations. They were launched separately in 2003 and landed on Mars in 2004.

NASA's younger Curiosity rover was unaffected by the dust storm; it relies on nuclear, versus solar, power.

Another NASA spacecraft, meanwhile, is on its way to Mars and should land in November. Named InSight, this robotic explorer has solar panels. □



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Brad Pitt foundation faces lawsuit over New Orleans homes

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — An attorney plans to sue actor Brad Pitt's foundation over the degradation of homes built in an area of New Orleans that was among the hardest hit by Hurricane Katrina.

The forthcoming lawsuit against Pitt's Make It Right foundation will be filed on behalf of some Lower Ninth Ward residents, who attorney Ron Austin told WWL-TV have reported sicknesses, headaches, and infrastructural issues.

Enlisting award-winning architects, Pitt founded the venture in 2007, two years after Katrina devastated the city and essentially washed away what would become the Make It Right enclave.

Construction began in 2008, working toward replacing the lost housing with 150 avant-garde dwellings that were storm-safe, solar-powered, highly insulated, and "green." The homes were available at an average price of \$150,000 to residents who received resettlement financing, government grants and donations from the foundation itself. But 10 years and more than \$26 million later, construction has halted at around 40 houses short of Pitt's goal,



In this Dec. 1, 2008, file photo, Brad Pitt walks in the Lower 9th Ward between a home built by the Make It Right Foundation and a FEMA trailer in New Orleans.

Associated Press

and some homes are falling apart. Residents have reported sagging porches, mildewing wood and leaky roofs.

"Essentially, Make It Right was making a lot of promises to come back and fix the homes that they initially sold these people and have failed to do so," Austin said.

The foundation in 2014 did spend an average of \$12,000 each on 39 homes to replace the deteriorat-

ing TimberSIL lumber, which was billed as environmentally friendly, weatherproof and durable, NOLA.com/The Times-Picayune reported. Make It Right then sued TimberSIL for \$500,000, but it's unclear whether that dispute was settled.

Despite that expenditure, a year later, Pitt expressed satisfaction with what had turned into a proper Crescent City neighborhood.

"I get this swell of pride when I see this little oasis

of color and the solar panels," Pitt told The Times-Picayune in 2015. "I drive into the neighborhood and I see people on their porch, and I ask them how is their house treating them? And they say, 'Good.' And I say 'What's your utility bill?' And they'll throw something out like, '24 bucks' or something, and I feel fantastic."

Earlier this summer, Make It Right hit the headlines in New Orleans again with the demolition of one of the houses. Having been unoccupied for years, the moldering house demolished in June was described by The Times-Picayune as "a tattered loaf of rotting wood, fraying tarpaulin and ominous open doorways." Fed up, resident Constance Fowler made City Hall aware of several building code violations, and The New Orleans Advocate reported that Make It Right paid for the demolition, citing a contract.

Make It Right did not respond to WWL-TV's request for comment this week, nor to The Times-Picayune's request for comment following the demolition. But when station WDSU-TV reported on the blighted house and other residential problems in April, the foundation did provide a writ-

ten statement.

"Our homeowners' well-being and privacy are some of our top priorities and we work closely with them to address their concerns," the statement read. "Each situation is different and we are currently coordinating the necessary follow up with the appropriate parties to address any areas of concern."

The report didn't indicate how many residents would join Austin's lawsuit, and many residents quoted in news articles this year said that despite some problems, they were appreciative of the foundation's work. Fowler herself told The Times-Picayune that without Make It Right, she might never have been able to afford a house.

Another resident, Neal Dupar, told WWL-TV that he's not a part of the forthcoming lawsuit, and echoed Fowler's sentiments about affordability. He said that Make It Right has responded to his complaints, sending an inspector to look at his house, though he's heard nothing in the month since. "I don't know what the future is going to bring with this house or everybody else's house, but it's going downhill now," Dupar said. □

Abu Dhabi delays exhibition of da Vinci's 'Salvator Mundi'

By JON GAMBRELL

Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — The unveiling of Leonardo da Vinci's painting "Salvator Mundi" at the Louvre Abu Dhabi has been indefinitely postponed, authorities said Monday.

Abu Dhabi's Department of Culture and Tourism announced the delay on Twitter, saying "more details will be announced soon."

The department declined to answer any questions from The Associated Press, saying: "At this stage, we do not have any further information."

The Renaissance oil painting of Christ, whose title in Latin means "Savior of the

World," sold for a record-breaking \$450 million at an auction in New York at Christie's in November. The painting depicts a blue-robed Jesus holding a crystal orb and gazing directly at the viewer.

It was to be displayed from Sept. 18. The National, a state-aligned English-language newspaper in Abu Dhabi, wrote online Monday that "speculation suggests the museum might be waiting for its one-year anniversary on Nov. 11" to unveil it.

Mystery has swirled around the museum's acquisition of the painting.

Western diplomats say a Saudi royal acting as a proxy for Saudi Arabia's



In this Oct. 24, 2017 file photo, an employee poses with Leonardo da Vinci's "Salvator Mundi" on display at Christie's auction rooms in London.

Associated Press

Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, who is close to Abu Dhabi's powerful Crown Prince Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Na-

hyan, was the buyer. The Saudi Embassy in Washington and officials in Abu Dhabi say the Saudi royal purchased the painting on

behalf of the museum in Abu Dhabi, which opened just days before the auction.

The display of the painting would be a major draw for the new museum, which has sought to distinguish itself from its namesake in Paris since opening after a decade of delays. Abu Dhabi has agreed to pay France \$525 million for the use of the "Louvre" name for the next 30 years and six months, plus another \$750 million to hire French managers to oversee 300 loaned works of art.

Authorities have not said how much it cost to build the museum, located on Abu Dhabi's Saadiyat Island. □

In Venice hit 'First Man,' another day of sun for Chazelle

By JAKE COYLE
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Damien Chazelle's last movie, "La La Land," was about a man clinging to nostalgia. His new one, "First Man," doesn't merely flirt with the past. It throttles back in time.

But Chazelle's reason for revisiting NASA's 1969 mission to the moon isn't to polish the shining legend of Neil Armstrong. It's to jolt our collective memory of it — to rip it out of the history books and plunge us back into the harsh, anxious reality of what at the time was far from a fait accompli.

"Our generation grows up in a world where people have walked on the moon and you see the photos. They're all kind of glossy and burnished and we think of this idealized past and there's a sort of pure nostalgia that comes with that," Chazelle, the 33-year-old director, said in an interview. "But the more I dug into the research the more fascinating it was to find out, A, just out hard it was to pull this off, and B,



This image released by Universal Pictures shows Ryan Gosling in a scene from "First Man."

Associated Press

how unlikely it was, how close to failure."

"It was a much more complicated thing than I think today we tend to remember it as," he adds. "I think that's because we have the benefit of living in the aftermath of the success."

"First Man" debuted this week at the Venice Film Festival where it was promptly hailed a groundbreaking space movie for its visceral, boots-on-the-ground recreation of the high-stakes mission. Variety said it does for the space movie what "Saving Private Ryan" did

for the war movie.

The response reconfirms Chazelle's status as a film-making wunderkind who is likely to again have a movie in the center of Oscar season, two years after he so memorably and chaotically exited the 2017 Academy Awards. In "First Man," Chazelle has seamlessly stepped up to a bigger budget studio film (the Universal Pictures production

cost \$70 million to make) and returned to the early awards season prediction lists.

But while Chazelle acknowledges he has some trepidation about reentering the Oscar season fray, he says his Academy Awards experience (Chazelle's "Whiplash" was also nominated for five Oscars, including best picture, and won three) in some ways

didn't live up to his aggrandized view of the prestigious ceremony.

"They never feel as big as in your mind maybe built them up to be as a kid or leading up to them," he says. "There are so many of these awards shows that by the time you get to the last one, you've kind of been through some iteration of the pattern. You can feel a little like 'Groundhog Day' with the same events repeated over and over, with slight alterations."

Or, ahem, some big alterations. In the year and half following The Flub, Chazelle stayed out of the public eye almost entirely, giving one interview the morning after the Oscars but otherwise plunging himself into work on "First Man." "Which I guess was good for my sanity," he says. Chazelle also got engaged to actress Olivia Hamilton. For Chazelle, there are also other ties between the two films. □

Hamilton's 'Dead Man Running' a compelling thriller



This book cover image released by G. P. Putnam's Sons shows "Dead Man Running," by Steve Hamilton.

Associated Press

By JEFF AYERS

Associated Press

"Dead Man Running" (Putnam), by Steve Hamilton
Former Detroit police officer Alex McKnight tangles with the FBI in Steve Hamilton's compelling thriller "Dead Man Running."

The FBI has been tracking a killer who keeps his victims

for a prolonged period of time after their deaths before he leaves them to be found by authorities. Now they have caught a break when a man on vacation discovers on his webcam that an intruder left a dead body on his bed. A trap is set, and they capture the madman, Martin Livermore, who claims there is another woman, and she's still alive. He will take the FBI to her on one condition: they bring along Alex McKnight.

McKnight lives in a tiny Michigan town, and he hardly thinks at all about his past as a Detroit cop. He helps out with bail jumpers every once in a while, but otherwise his life is serenity and peace. He's about to capture another fugitive from justice when he's literally grabbed by men in suits and taken to a waiting private plane. When they arrive in Scottsdale, Arizona, McKnight sees the prisoner

in person, and while Livermore knows everything including extremely personal details about him, McKnight has never seen Livermore in his life. So why is he obsessed with McKnight?

The trek to the hiding place of his next victim sets up a horrible chain of circumstances that will shake McKnight to the core. What he and the FBI don't realize is that Livermore knew the house had a video camera and his plan was to get caught and take revenge on everyone, most especially McKnight.

Hamilton has won numerous awards for his mysteries, and his first Alex McKnight novel in five years is not only one of the best featuring this iconic character, but also one of Hamilton's best. A truly diabolical villain, a baffling puzzle and growing personal stakes make for a well-written and amazing reading experience. □

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Actress in 'ER,' 'Stand and Deliver' fatally shot by police

By AMANDA LEE MYERS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An actress who appeared on the TV medical drama "ER" and starred in the film "Stand and Deliver" was fatally shot by police officers in Southern California after they say she pointed a replica handgun at them. Vanessa Marquez, who gained attention last year when she said George Clooney helped blacklist her from Hollywood, died at a hospital following Thursday's shooting at her apartment in South Pasadena, just outside Los Angeles. South Pasadena police officers responded to a call from Marquez's landlord that she needed medical help. When they arrived she was having a seizure, Lt. Joe Mendoza with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department said Friday.

Paramedics treated Marquez, 49, who improved and began talking with three officers and a mental health clinician who spent an hour-and-a-half trying to talk her into getting medical help, Mendoza said. Marquez became uncooperative, appeared unable to care for herself and seemed to have mental health issues, he said. At some point, Mendoza said Marquez got what turned out to be a BB gun and pointed it at the officers, prompting two of them to shoot. "It looked like a real gun," he said, adding that it's unclear where the gun was during her lengthy interaction with police. The officers were wearing body cameras but footage won't be released for at least six months pending



This undated self-portrait posted on Instagram shows actress Vanessa Marquez.

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the investigation, Mendoza said. Terence Towles Canote, a

close friend of Marquez's, said the actress was having health and financial prob-

lems but that she showed no signs of depression or other mental troubles. She still talked about her dream of winning an Oscar one day and was hopeful for a career comeback, he said. "She was looking forward to life," Canote said. "This is not a woman who wanted to die." Marquez posted extensively on Facebook and elsewhere about her health problems, saying she was terminally ill and had seizures and celiac disease, an autoimmune disorder that can damage the small intestine if gluten is ingested. In 2014, she said in an online post that she had spent her life savings on doctors and hospitals who didn't properly treat her and that she couldn't work or "do most basic everyday functions." □

London show explores hidden world of facial recognition

By JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Don't judge by appearances. It's an age-old piece of advice that is being roundly ignored by corporations, governments and law-enforcement agencies around the globe. British police use facial-recognition technology to scan crowds for suspects. Owners of the latest iPhones can unlock their phones with face ID. Whole Foods and other retailers are testing facial recognition as a way of eliminating check-out tills in stores. Modern technology means your face is both your identity and a commodity — but as an exhibition going on display in London shows, that technology is far from perfect. "Face Values," the U.S. entry at the multinational London Design Biennale, explores how computers' ability to read faces is changing the world, with implications for privacy and individuality that we still don't fully understand. "We are on camera 50 times a day and there are all these software compa-



Part of the Italy exhibit "L'Architettura Degli Alberi", The Architecture Of Trees, is displayed during a preview for the London Design Biennale at Somerset House in London, Monday, Sept. 3, 2018.

Associated Press

nies that are deriving information from us," said R. Luke DuBois, one of the exhibition's designers. Curated by New York's Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum, "Face Values" includes two interactive pieces that explore the scope and limits of what technology can learn about you from your face. Artist and computer programmer Zachary Lieberman invites visitors to sit in front of a screen as a computer maps their expressions, compares them to others' and produces an

analysis of the sitter's emotion. "It's a kind of fingerprint of your facial expression," said Lieberman, who has helped design an eye-tracking system for people with paralysis. "This project involved a lot of trying to understand, how do you quantify expression?" he said at a preview of the exhibition on Monday. "How do you turn expression into numbers," in order to compare one expression to another. The limits of such technology become clearer in

the accompanying piece by DuBois, director of the Brooklyn Experimental Media Center at New York University's engineering school. Visitors sit in front of a screen and are asked to display a specific emotion. Using technology similar to that deployed by some police forces, the system calculates the individual's age, gender, race and emotional state. The results are both intrusive and sometimes inaccurate. One visitor, attempting to project calmness, registered as afraid. Another, asked to look disgusted, was told she appeared happy. DuBois said the technology is only as good as the data that goes into it — and the sets of images that companies and organizations use to compare emotions are often inadequate. The rules governing the use of such technology vary widely around the world. In China, facial recognition is being used with few restrictions for everything from advertising to law-enforcement. In the European Union, data-protection rules mean personal information can't be collected

without the subject's consent. The U.S. has no such limits, although California recently passed a similar law. DuBois says he wants to increase awareness about this powerful and fast-developing technology. "In an older era — like 10 years ago — we should have been paying a lot more attention to what kind of data Facebook was taking from us," he said. "And now it's a little too late." Cooper Hewitt hopes to take its exhibit to the United States after its run in London. The Design Biennale, which runs Tuesday to Sept. 23 at London's Somerset House, includes exhibits from 40 countries, cities and territories under the loose theme "Emotional States." They include Latvia's birch- and pine-scented room, where visitors can write on a green wall of condensation; Australia's rainbow-colored installation celebrating same-sex marriage; and Hong Kong's room plastered with scratch-and-sniff wallpaper scented like roast duck, egg tarts, incense and opium. □

From penny press to Snapchat: Parents fret through the ages

By **BARBARA ORTUTAY**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — When Stephen Dennis was raising his two sons in the 1980s, he never heard the phrase "screen time," nor did he worry much about the hours his kids spent with technology. When he bought an Apple II Plus computer, he considered it an investment in their future and encouraged them to use it as much as possible. Boy, have things changed with his grandkids and their phones and their Snapchat, Instagram and Twitter.

"It almost seems like an addiction," said Dennis, a retired homebuilder who lives in Bellevue, Washington. "In the old days you had a computer and you had a TV and you had a phone but none of them were linked to the outside world but the phone. You didn't have this omnipresence of technology."

Today's grandparents may have fond memories of the "good old days," but history tells us that adults have worried about their kids' fascination with new-fangled entertainment and technology since the days of dime novels, radio, the first comic books and rock n' roll.

"This whole idea that we even worry about what kids are doing is pretty much a 20th century thing," said Katie Foss, a media studies professor at Middle Tennessee State University. But when it comes to screen time, she added, "all we are doing is reinventing the



In this Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2018, photo, Kathy and Steve Dennis pull off the cover of their 1980's-era Apple II+ computer bought for their then young sons in Bellevue, Wash.

Associated Press

same concern we were having back in the '50s."

True, the anxieties these days seem particularly acute — as, of course, they always have. Smartphones have a highly customized, 24/7 presence in our lives that feeds parental fears of antisocial behavior and stranger danger.

What hasn't changed, though, is a general parental dread of what their kids are doing out of sight. In previous generations, this often meant kids wandering around on their own or sneaking out at night to drink. These days, it might mean hiding in their bedroom, chatting with strangers online.

Less than a century ago, the radio sparked similar fears.

"The radio seems to find

parents more helpless than did the funnies, the automobile, the movies and other earlier invaders of the home, because it can not be locked out or the children locked in," Sidonie Matsner Gruenberg, director of the Child Study Association of America, told The Washington Post in 1931. She added that the biggest worry radio gave parents was how it interfered with other interests — conversation, music practice, group games and reading.

In the early 1930s a group of mothers from Scarsdale, Arizona, pushed radio broadcasters to change programs they thought were too "overstimulating, frightening and emotionally overwhelming" for kids, said Margaret Cassidy, a media researcher at Adelphi University in New York who authored a history of American kids and media. Called the Scarsdale Moms, their activism led the National Association of Broadcasters to come up with a code of ethics around children's programming in which they pledged not to portray criminals as heroes and to refrain from glorifying greed, selfishness and disrespect for authority.

Then television burst into the public consciousness with unrivaled speed. By 1955, more than half of all U.S. homes had a black

and white set, according to Mitchell Stephens, a media historian at New York University.

The hand-wringing started almost as quickly. A 1961 Stanford University study on 6,000 children, 2,000 parents and 100 teachers found that more than half of the kids studied watched "adult" programs such as Westerns, crime shows and shows that featured "emotional problems." Researchers were aghast at the TV violence present even in children's programming. By the end of that decade, Congress had authorized \$1 million (about \$7 million today) to study the effects of TV violence, prompting "literally thousands of projects" in subsequent years,

Cassidy said.

That eventually led the American Academy of Pediatrics to adopt, in 1984, its first recommendation that parents limit their kids' exposure to technology. The medical association argued that television sent unrealistic messages around drugs and alcohol, could lead to obesity and might fuel violence. Fifteen years later, in 1999, it issued its now-infamous edict that kids under 2 should not watch any television at all. The spark for that decision was the British kids' show "Teletubbies," which featured cavorting humanoids with TVs embedded in their abdomens. But the odd TV-within-the-TV-beings conceit of the show wasn't the problem — it was the "gibberish" the Teletubbies directed at preverbal kids whom doctors thought should be learning to speak from their parents, said Donald Shiffrin, a University of Washington pediatrician and former chair of the AAP committee that pushed for the recommendation.

Video games presented a different challenge. Decades of study have failed to validate the most prevalent fear, that violent games encourage violent behavior. But from the moment the games emerged as a cultural force in the early 1980s, parents fretted about the way kids could lose themselves in games as simple and repetitive as "Pac-Man," "Asteroids" and "Space Invaders." □



In this July 21, 1987, file photo, Carlos Tunnerman, 10, plays the "Contra" video game at an arcade in a Miami, Fla.

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In this Oct. 5, 1980, file photo, Nancy Armstrong, teacher at Marshall elementary school in Harrisburg, Pa., assists her students in the use of computers to aid them in their studies.

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